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Supervisor *Enter Supervisor name here*
Stafford County Board of Supervisors
P.O. Box 339
Stafford, VA 22555

Dear Supervisor *Enter Supervisor Last name here*:

I am writing to express my concern about Stafford County's consideration of downzoning agriculturally zoned land. I am a staunch defender of private property rights and commend Stafford County for its long history of cultivating a culture that encourages strong economic growth through reasonable zoning restrictions. Discussions of downzoning thousands of properties throughout the County runs counter to that long history.

I am specifically concerned about what impact downzoning will have on the value of rural properties and property owners' ability to do as they see fit with their land. Many rural landowners have developed long-term retirement plans that involved the value of their properties under current uses and acreage rules. Efforts to downzone could erase decades worth of wealth creation that cannot be recovered. In addition, many landowners intended to utilize family subdivisions to provide a legacy for their children and grandchildren, which they may not be able to realize if their land is unilaterally downzoned.

I respectfully request that you VOTE NO on downzoning A-1 land in Stafford County. Thank you for your consideration of this important issue.

Sincerely,

Enter Your Name here