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Dear President Hucker and County Councilmembers:

The Town of Kensington was incorporated in 1894. Our railroad station was built in 1891. The most recent development, under construction now, is an extremely large building across the railroad tracks from the station. This is very close to the tracks aligning with other buildings on the north side. Already, because of the hard bedrock, which I believe extends across under the tracks, the historic buildings experience some vibration caused by the trains.

The Shady Grove Sector Plan Minor Amendment includes discussion of a third track.

It is our request that extensive research is done in the area of the historic downtown portion of the Town of Kensington, as well as other historic areas adjacent to the tracks, before moving ahead with a third track plan.

Sincerely, Julia O'Malley, President Kensington Historical Society

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