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Dear Councillors,

The response at Manager's Agenda Item 6 restricts consideration to outdoor lighting only.

As an abutter of 1030 Massachusetts Avenue, I can assure you that indoor lighting is also a source of pollution and thus a public health hazard for humans. In addition, like outdoor light pollution, it degrades the environment for all living beings and wastes energy. Please note that the Teague petition addressed indoor sources as well. Do not agree to restrict the task force's terms of reference to outdoor lighting only.

Please note also that if the CDD response to the Teague petition is any indication, there will be a move to exempt all city lighting. This would be a grave mistake as well, as anyone who lives near the M.L. King or any school playground will tell you.

I am sorry to miss tonight's Council meeting because of a conflict with the meeting on the proposed Sanofi sign on Memorial Drive.

Yours sincerely,

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