

Monroe project a winning proposal

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I own the property on Schoolhouse Road adjacent to the proposed location of "PARKER at Monroe," a facility that would provide long-term care services for area seniors. I am proud to support this project and believe it would be an excellent addition to the neighborhood.

As the current stewards of our land, it is our responsibility to seek out and embrace the right kind of development.

The Parker plan is a win for the neighborhood because the large majority of the 28-acre parcel would remain wooded for all time; the type of use would generate a minimal amount of traffic, and would create no noise or odor. In fact, as the project would be tucked into the woods, one would barely notice it is there. I believe such a project would improve property values throughout the neighborhood and make Monroe Township an even more desirable place to live and retire in.

Meanwhile, PARKER at Monroe would serve a growing demographic in the community — senior citizens — who require a level of care that cannot be handled by the programs and services now available in Monroe.

I support this project so much that I have agreed to donate 14 acres of my property to the township to help make PARKER at Monroe a reality. The land would remain undeveloped and beautiful. Such a donation would be an honor to my father, the late Robert J. P. Kennedy, who bought the land 30 years ago. He would be proud to know his land will be used by the elderly to help them enjoy their well-deserved Golden Years.

I hope Mayor Pucci and the local planning board recognize the wonderful opportunity to have PARKER at Monroe built in Monroe Township, and give it the support it richly deserves.

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