Midtown Neighborhood Association

Creating a strong community and a clean, safe and thriving neighborhood through partnerships

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VIA EMAIL

Officer Tera Carson Sacramento Police Department

Dear Officer Carson:

The Midtown Neighborhood Association shares the concerns of the Newton Booth and Richmond Grove neighborhood associations regarding the public health and safety at the Safeway/R Street Market located at the corner of 19th and R streets in the Central City.

Among Midtown residents' many concerns, they have reported numerous incidents of aggressive panhandling, hostile behavior by people in the parking lot, people camped on the property near the store and the area along 19th Street, unleashed dogs walking freely inside the store, litter and debris, and graffiti.

Safeway is the largest grocery store inside the Central City; however, due to such unpleasant experiences, several of our neighbors choose to drive to other areas, such as east Sacramento and West Sacramento to shop.

Central City residents deserve and want businesses that are good neighbors and that add to the community. Our association believes in the power of partnerships and the success they can create. We appreciate and support the Sacramento Police Department's and Councilmember Hansen's work to ensure that the above-mentioned property issues are addressed so that residents and patrons can feel safe in the area.

Sincerely,

Angela Tillotson, Interim Chair

cc: Newton Booth Neighborhood Association Richmond Grove Neighborhood Association Steve Hansen, Sacramento City Council, District 4