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**Subject:** RE: #SaveGrovePark by Endya Rice

Marguerite, please add to the bill file. Thanks, EC

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Hello Chairman Costello,

Ms. Endya Rice of the Grove Park community sent this testimony (image attached).

Please also include her email to Dir. Rodriguez-Lima to your file.

"Dear Señora Rodriguez-Lima,

The residents of the Grove Park community need your help in conveying our concerns to the Mayor regarding the pending sale of Grove Park Elementary to the current ENP-holder, Communicare Health Services, Inc. This sale would undoubtedly lower the property values of Latino homeowners, increase traffic, and have a serious health impact on our community by commercializing our neighborhood. Grove Park is 4.8% Latino, a number that has doubled in the past ten years. On the blocks immediately effected, the demographics are 50% Black and 50% Latino, with 10% being immigrants. At least two immigrant homeowners are abutting the proposed development to place a 100-space parking lot and rehab center. Additionally, CommuniCare has been found to have violated the Trafficking in Persons Act by bringing in foreign labor, wage theft, and intimidation.

A stated goal of MIMA is to advocate for immigrants' economic and community well-being. This is a prime issue for your office to speak up.

In addition to the community being opposed to CommuniCare's proposal, they lied about the development which they seek to place at the site of Grove Park Elementary. For this reason we do not feel that they are honest partners. We are relying on you to convey our concerns for our children who we seek to pass our homes to.

Lastly, the Grove Park Improvement Association is building a coalition of effected communities. As you may be aware, Northwest Baltimore has seen a significant increase in Latino and immigrant homeowners and voters. We intend to exercise that power for the officials that meet our demands.

Please contact me at by this email address. Alternatively, you may contact Terrence Thrweatt Jr. at [443-585-2063](tel:443-585-2063) or [terrence.thrweatt@ubalt.edu](mailto:terrence.thrweatt@ubalt.edu) (copied)."

Sources:

4.8% Latino - Grove Park citizens (2022)

<https://www.areavibes.com/baltimore-md/grove+park/demographics/>

10.4% Latino - West Arlington citizens (2022)

<http://www.city-data.com/neighborhood/West-Arlington-Baltimore-MD.html>

4.06% Immigrant - Grove Park (2022)

<https://www.point2homes.com/US/Neighborhood/MD/Baltimore-City/Grove-Park-Demographics.html>

City's Howard Park/West Arlington/Grove Park stats (2011):

[https://health.baltimorecity.gov/files/28-howard-parkpdf&ved=2ahUKEwjczqHMncv9AhVojIkeHdE4AzgQFnoECCIQAQ&usg=AOvVaw1UBuMC\\_TyHNbSIJ\\_IgeDNx](https://health.baltimorecity.gov/files/28-howard-parkpdf&ved=2ahUKEwjczqHMncv9AhVojIkeHdE4AzgQFnoECCIQAQ&usg=AOvVaw1UBuMC_TyHNbSIJ_IgeDNx)

Lawsuit:

<https://www.classaction.org/news/indentured-servitude-staffing-agency-communicare-sued-over-alleged-unpaid-overtime-worker-intimidation>

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