

# The Property Owners' Association of The Villages – The POA

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William S. Dalton,  
CEO/Center Director  
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12902 Magnolia Drive  
Tampa, FL 33612

Dear Dr. Dalton:

I am president of the Property Owners' Association in The Villages of Lady Lake, Florida. The POA was founded in 1975 and is the original property owners' association in The Villages. We have about 6,500 members. We publish a monthly newsletter, The Bulletin (see enclosed), which we deliver to most residents of this community every month.

Please notice the secondary story on the first page of the enclosed copy of our newsletter. This summarizes our feelings about the proposed cancer center, which Moffitt is now planning with the Central Florida Health Alliance, to be built in Leesburg, Florida.

We are most unhappy with the plan to build the facility in Leesburg which is about 30-45 minutes away. We feel there are ample land sites around our community which the developer of The Villages could make available for the center's building. Furthermore, there is a local, underutilized building built by the Alliance as the satellite hospital for Leesburg Regional Medical Center in the early 1990s. It has about 67,000 sq. ft and is near our Spanish Springs square in Lake County. It was built according to hospital design requirements and could immediately house the cancer center and eliminate the need to build a new, costly building in the next year.

We are also unhappy with the Alliance's characterization of the center as being "only minutes away" from The Villages. This is a gross misrepresentation and is self-serving of the Alliance's desire to use The Villages as a "cash cow" for its imposing building plans for its Leesburg campus.

I would urge you to reconsider the plan to build a new building for the cancer center in Leesburg. Instead, please consider locating the facility close to our community and possibly even in the underutilized satellite hospital building with its 67,000 sq. ft. of space. Also, please contact me if I can be of any assistance to you in your consideration of this facility.

Sincerely,

THE PROPERTY OWNERS' ASSOCIATION OF THE VILLAGES, INC.

Joe Gorman  
President