August 21, 2017

Mr. Scott McCullough
Planning Director
Planning & Development Services
City of Lawrence
6 East 6th Street
Lawrence, KS 66044

Re: Appeal of SP-17-00192 [Lot 2, Sigma Nu Addition No. 2]

Dear Mr. McCullough:

I am writing as the President of West Hills Homes Association which is adjacent to the proposed two new fraternity houses at the above-referenced site. The reason for this letter is to appeal your approval of the project's site plan application.

The basis of the Association's appeal is parking. The project provides .75 parking spaces per building occupant, which meets the minimum standard of the Code. Such standard, however, does not take into consideration that every student occupying the houses will have a vehicle, staff working at the houses drive vehicles, and overflow street parking in the vicinity is already over-crowded because of our proximity to the University of Kansas and the number of Greek houses in the area.

Attached, you will find photos of neighborhood streets in our neighborhood as they are today. The pictures are of Oxford Road, Sunset, Cambridge Road and Stratford Road. As you can see, street parking is already crowded due to the existing Greek houses in the area. You will note that three vehicles on Oxford and one vehicle on Sunset are parked beyond the No Parking signs.
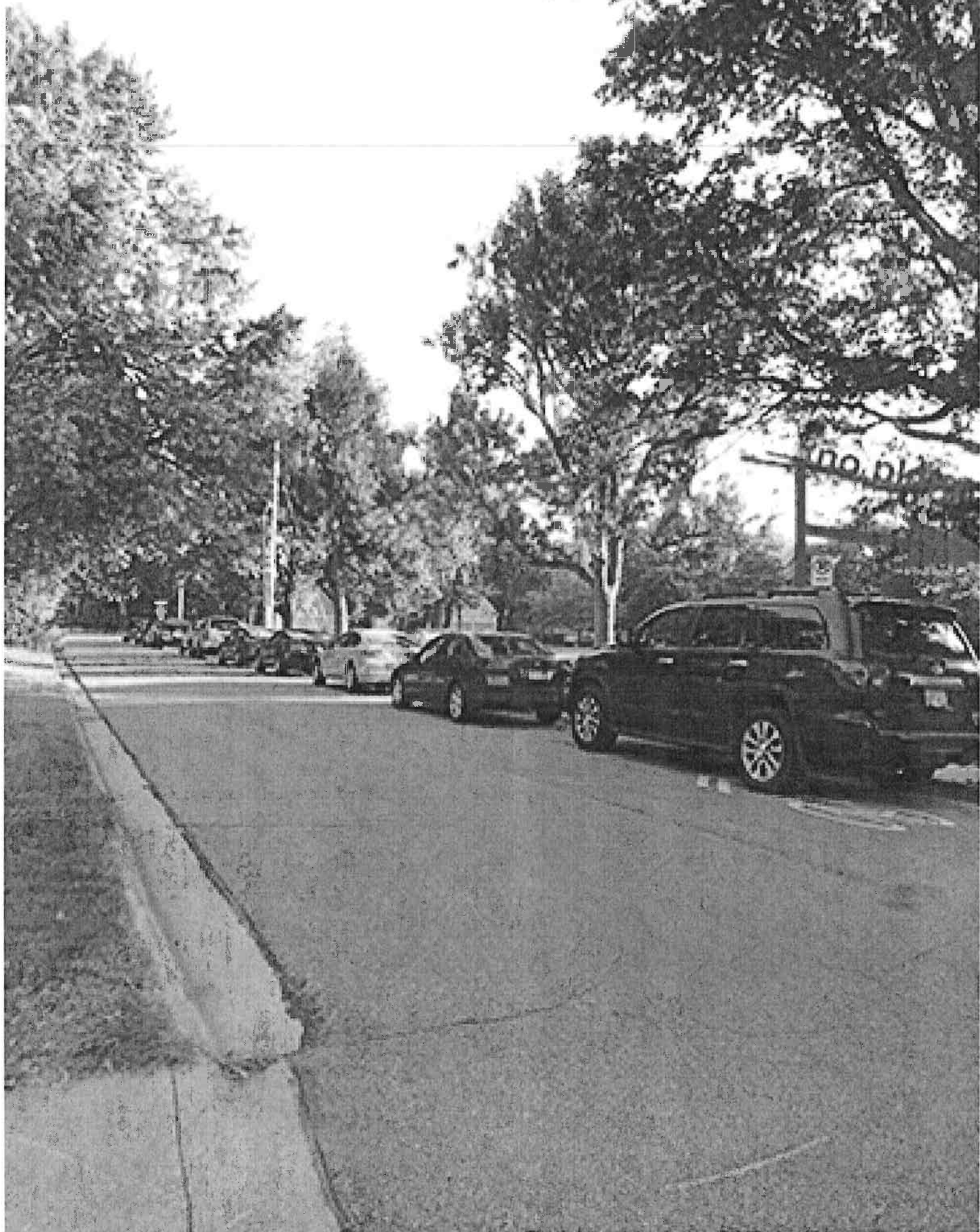
As a reference, we also wish to look to other multi-family housing in the Code. Multi-Dwelling Structures require 1 parking space per bedroom + 1 space per every 10 units (for guess and visitors). This requirement makes provisions for each occupant driving a car and for staff/visitors to the structure without putting additional burden on street parking.

Please consider the need for additional off-street parking at the proposed projects, given the location of the proposed project and its adjacency to single family residential neighborhoods with already overcrowded street parking. Thank you.
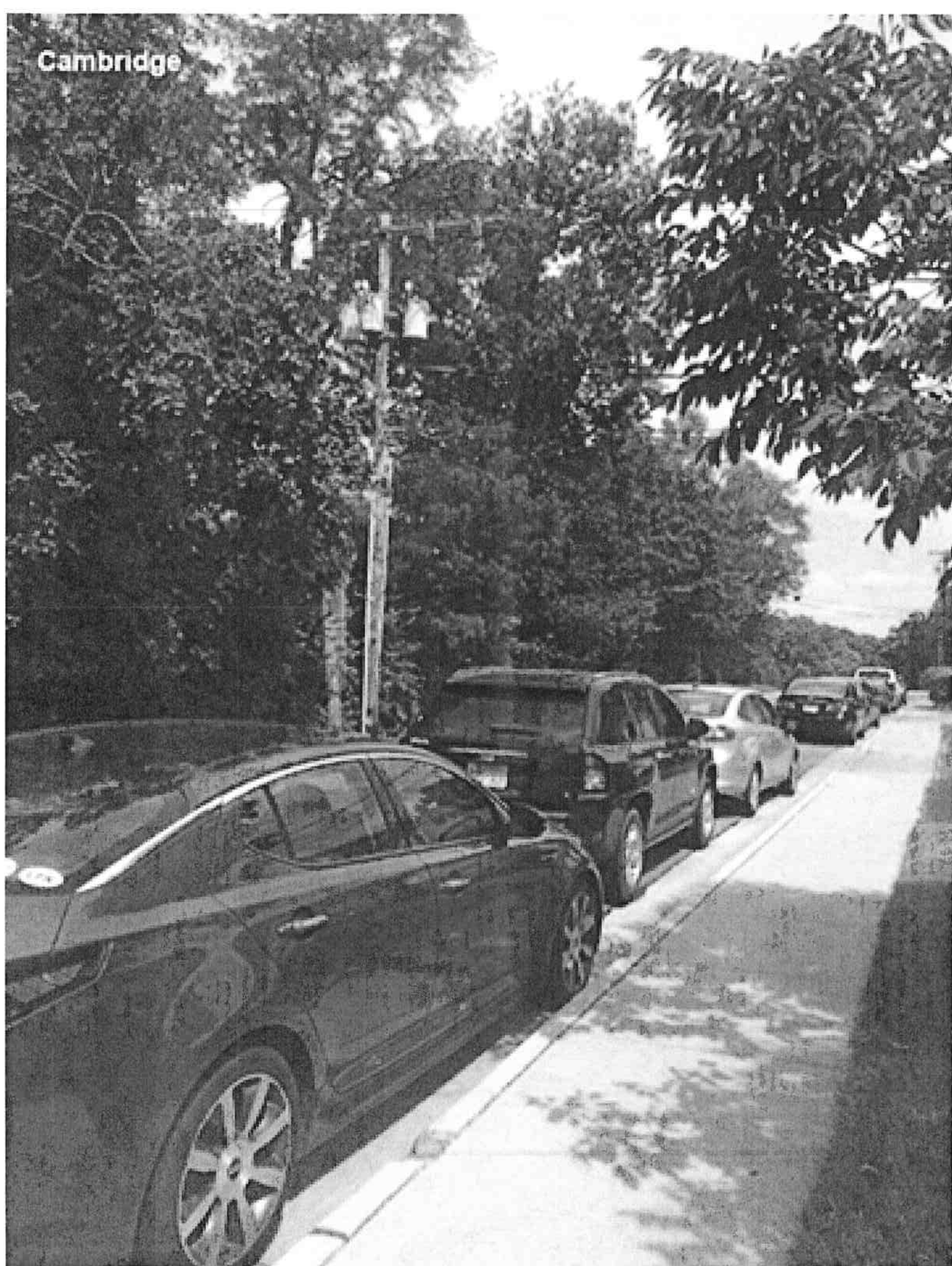
Sincerely,

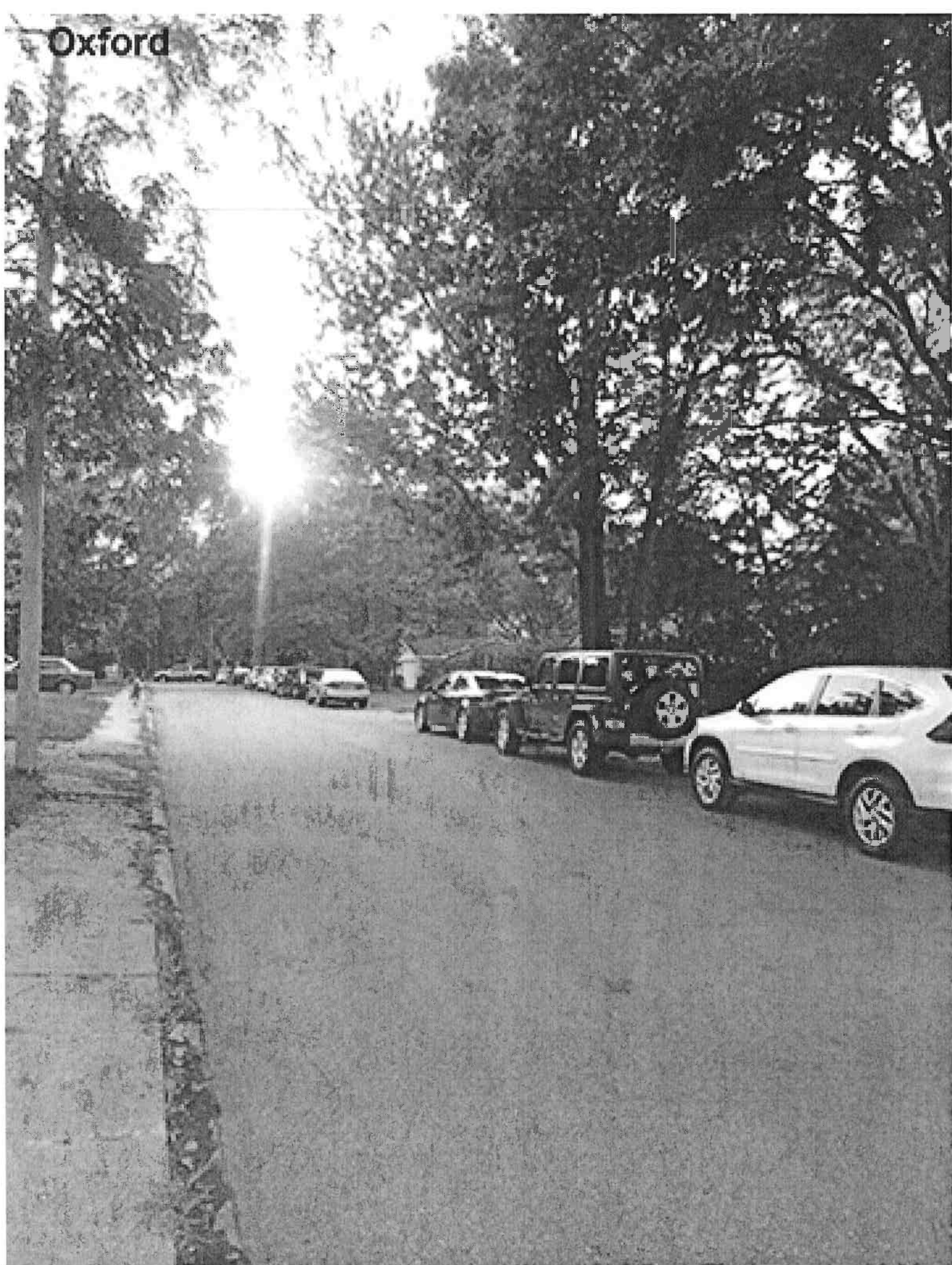Charles Jones
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Sunset

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August 18, 2017