

## Spain, Dona

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Dear Members:

After a cordial greeting, I want to take this opportunity to extend my comments to the case of Coral Gables Country Club through this route, because I unfortunately have prior commitments outside of the country and am unable to attend today's meeting.

As owners of 901 N. Greenway Dr., we would like to vehemently reject the proposal to remove the CGCC green area of our "Green City" to place outside dining facilities (not enough restaurants in our restaurant Downtown?) When do these special exceptions end? Do I have the right for special exceptions on my private residence? I would hope and like to believe that this isn't a case of our city government bending to business interests for the sake of profits.

To conclude our absolute rejection, I would like to highlight:

1st. Junk, junk and more junk which litters my front yard at the conclusion of large parties at the Country Club. Litter includes but is not limited to empty alcoholic beverages which is hardly a value-enhancing aspect of Coral Gables. Ask yourself, would you like to come out of your house on Saturday morning to find your front yard littered with garbage from the prior night's party?

2nd. Abuse of drivers parking in front of the houses on North Greenway, including mine, which for two years has had a "no parking" sign in front of my house. Oftentimes that sign is ignored when large events at the Coral Gables Country Club take place.

3rd and THE MOST IMPORTANT. Up to this point, thank God, there haven't been any drunk driving accidents from these parties at the Country Club. As you know, the area around the Granada Golf Course has some of the highest foot and bike traffic in all of Coral Gables. This course is also frequented by many families with small children. There are plenty of spaces in Coral Gables for large dining establishments, and if memory serves correctly, the owners of the Coral Gables Country Club are owners of the Cibo restaurant on Miracle Mile.

When is enough, enough? Again, please ask yourself, would you like a large outdoor restaurant steps away from your front yard? Businesses such as these should be confined to the appropriately zoned areas of Coral Gables.

Respectfully,

Jose Luis and Nalvis Valera