Marisol M. O'Connor Greenville Avenue, Carolina Beach, NC

Dear Kure Beach Bike Ped Committee:

My husband and I reside in Carolina Beach, our house is located at the end of Greenville Avenue, with our property line right next to the greenway. Our house was built a few years before the greenway was constructed and during that time there was very little foot traffic on our street. We were initially concerned of what changes the greenway would bring. However, we were pleasantly surprised.

Upon completion of the greenway, people of all ages began passing by, including parents and their children, teens, adults, elderly, and mothers with infants. We see people walking, running, biking, pushing a stroller, using a wheelchair, skateboarding, rollerblading. We even had a 90+ year old woman take her daily walk - - using a walker! These people all share the same objective – to be healthy and active in a safe environment. We use the greenway everyday, not only for exercise but to traverse safely to visit the park, neighbors and family.

In the four years of living next to the greenway we have not had any incidents with regard to theft, safety or privacy.

Another bonus – as per our realtor, Kristen Dunn of Blue Coast Realty, "The properties along the greenway (and even close to the greenway) have gone up in value due to the greenway. The greenway is one of the best amenities in Carolina Beach."

Overall, I truly believe the greenway has contributed to my quality of life as well as everyone in our community on the island.

Sincerely, Marisol M. O'Connor