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To: Kooiker Sam

Subject: Sculpture garden in Halley Park

Dear Mayor Kooiker,

My name is James Woods Halley Jr. My great grandfather was the James Halley for whom Halley park in Rapid City is named.

(My grandfather

Albert Smith Halley was James Halley's first son.) As you are probably guessing, I am writing to express concern about the proposal to put a sculpture garden in the park.

As it has been described to me by members of the Halley clan who live in and near Rapid City, the public purpose of the proposed sculpture garden is somewhat unclear. It is apparently not particularly intended to promote public understanding of Native American culture , which would be a worthy goal, and there may be safety concerns with placing such a large outdoor attraction between two busy streets.

I join others of the Halley clan in urging that the proposed sculpture garden be located in a more suitable location. Failing that, I urge that a smaller project, more clearly intended to promote education and cultural understanding be considered.

Thanks very much for your attention,

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