

St John Street parking spaces

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To whom it may concern,

It has come to my attention that Maine Medical Center plans to build a new parking garage on St. John Street in Portland, Maine. While I believe it is wise to expand MMC for the growing needs of our healthcare community, this has a negative impact for those who live and have to park on the street. I live in an apartment building at 201 St John St. I moved here in the middle of April, 2018 with my two roommates. Each of us drives big vehicles with a not so big lot in the back of the building, where there are only 2 spots for the three of us. This means one of us has to always be parked on the street. Though sometimes tricky to find, there is usually always a spot on St John close enough to my building where I feel safe enough to walk after working nights. Eliminating these spaces in order to build MMCs parking garage would not only mean losing one of OUR parking spaces, it would mean losing multiple spots for the other apartments and local businesses on the street as well. Where will we all be able to park?

I hope you consider making necessary adjustments in order to appease both Maine Medical Center, as well as those who have to reside close by. Thank you for taking the time to read these concerns.

-Bailey Nunan