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## Please read this testimony at the planning board meeting on Monday

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Tuck, Nell, Please read the below testimony at the PB meeting during the MMC garage item. Thanks, Zack

Zack Barowitz, Huntress Street, Portland

Chair Dundston and board members.

The Libbytown Neighborhood Association submitted recommendations and I also submitted public comment. I speak today on behalf of myself.

The garage proposal before you represents a human resources problem. Maine Medical needs parking to attract and retain employees

This is then a labor shortage problem

And a housing problem.

The Question is:

Why–in the most densely populated and most economically diverse square half mile in the state–is there not a sufficient labor pool for a hundred and fifty year old institution?

## The Answer is Better Planning.

## Thank you.

Sent from my iPad