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Dear Members of the Pompano Beach Zoning Board of Appeals,

I'm writing as a Pompano Beach resident to oppose the car wash proposed for 1401 SW 26th Ave based primarily on its limited job creation.

By design, an exterior only car wash operates with a small crew per shift and few roles beyond attendants and a manager. That means a low number of positions, many of them part-time, and limited pathways for advancement. Our neighborhood needs more—and better—employment options to lift the area up, support families, and strengthen the local economy.

This site can do far more for residents and nearby businesses if it's used for job-rich, neighborhood-serving purposes such as:

- **Small grocer/market** (produce, staples): steady day-long staffing across cashiers, stockers, department leads, and managers.
- **Full-service restaurant or food hall:** multiple shifts and roles (kitchen, servers, hosts, bar, management) with training and growth potential.
- **Licensed childcare/early learning center:** teachers, aides, administrators, and support staff—critical family-supporting jobs.
- **Multi-specialty medical/urgent care clinic:** front desk, medical assistants, nurses, techs, and providers—career-track positions.
- **Shared commercial kitchen or small business incubator/market hall:** dozens of

micro-businesses under one roof (prep cooks, bakers, vendors, managers).

- **Workforce training/trade school campus:** instructors, coordinators, and support staff while preparing residents for higher-wage jobs.

Each of these uses typically supports a broader range of roles, more total positions, and clearer advancement ladders than a single-purpose car wash—exactly the kind of employment base that helps a neighborhood grow stronger over time.

For these reasons, I respectfully ask the Board to deny the proposed car wash at 1401 SW 26th Ave and encourage a higher-employment, neighborhood-serving use instead.

Please include this letter in the public record. Thank you for your consideration and for your service to our community.

Best Regards,

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