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Ladies and Gentlemen, thank you for allowing my testimony in support of Senate Bill 461, and against the proposed Power Plant in the Historic, residential section of Nichols, in Trumbull CT.

My name is David Pia, I am a public official, serving on The Trumbull Town Council. As public officials, we sometimes are faced with controversial issues. The simple answer in those times of tough contemplation is, always do what is right for the people. I assure you, this power plant, in this residential neighborhood, is not right for the people.

The unsightliness of this facility is the least of our concerns. The explosion of the Middletown facility and the untimely deaths that ensued, are fresh on our minds.

Possibly the greatest phrase from the Declaration of Independence is in regard to; *our unalienable rights of Life, Liberty and Pursuit of Happiness.*

Ironically, in an earlier version, *The Virginia Declaration of Rights used the words; obtaining happiness and safety.*

I assure you that the people of Trumbull, CT are not feeling happy nor are they feeling safe. I implore you pass Senate Bill 461 and give the siting council additional authority when deciding fuel cell positions.