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Dear fellow Riverbend Residents:

It is with sincere intentions that we send this message to all of you, our neighbors, in an attempt to be as forthcoming as possible. Recently there has been some discussion through the Nextdoor social media platform regarding the Tadpole Academy Swim School and the action taken by the Riverbend Homeowners Association. As with any action taken by the HOA, there is a process that takes place and the decisions are always a result of much thoughtful debate. Our primary focus is to try and ensure that the outcome will benefit the homeowners and the neighborhood as a whole. As part of this process we want to be completely transparent and explain our actions in this matter.

As our neighborhood matures, we need to pay close attention to activities that directly or indirectly institute the commercialization of property. For this reason, the board authorized our attorney to send a letter asking two residents in our neighborhood to immediately cease commercial activities that involved the Tadpole Academy Swim School and the use of their property as part of a commercial enterprise. It is important to realize that this "school" was not a private arrangement between friends or neighbors but rather a public commercial activity with related advertisements on Tadpole Academy's Website and signage distributed at various locations near Riverbend subdivision specifically stating addresses in our neighborhood. The board felt strongly that the continued operation of this commercial school could set a precedent and potentially be used as an example to justify further commercial activity in our neighborhood. To be clear, the board did not take this action lightly but believed that it was necessary to preserve the residential nature of the Riverbend subdivision.

Enforcement of our neighborhood restrictions is one of the least pleasant tasks of the Homeowners Association, but it is an extremely important and necessary one. Without a deep commitment to maintain the restrictions set forth by the original subdivision developers, we may experience a decline in the residential nature of our neighborhood and the qualities that make Riverbend appealing.

In closing, we ask for your continued membership in the HOA and encourage everyone who is not a current member to join and help us to preserve the special nature of Riverbend Subdivision.

Riverbend HOA Board