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The Dalton – Deer Park Community Association supports the construction of a football stadium near the Jackson State University campus.

As landowners, home owners, and residents around the campus, we believe that a stadium near Jackson State University will have a positive impact to our neighborhood.

With over 10,000 residents living within a one-mile radius of the campus, this development can bring employment within walking distance to a large number of families.

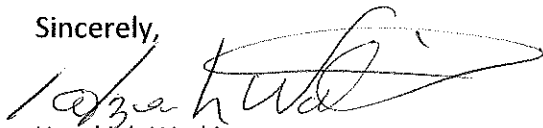
The many supporting businesses will also provide our residents with new amenities that we would otherwise not have.

People buying lunch, groceries, gas and making other purchases will circulate new dollars in our neighborhood which should allow existing businesses to hire more staff.

This project becomes a win-win for the neighborhood, Jackson State University and Central Mississippi.

We request that the State of Mississippi Legislature whole heartedly support this effort by providing financial assistance to Jackson State University.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Hezekiah Watkins', written over a horizontal line.

Hezekiah Watkins  
President