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Hello,

I am writing to you, to absolutely plead with you to PLEASE SAVE ROBERTSON ROAD.

My name is Marisa, and I am the owner of Splice Boutique, Newport, located on the corner of Robertson Road and Barrenjoey Road Newport.

This little one way Street has come ALIVE! It's bustling with family run businesses, that are a shopping destination for our local Northern Beach community. And is home to my family run business, which has just celebrated its 20th year in business. But that hasn't been an easy feat!

My sister Gabby and I, in 2019, has to close our flagship Freshwater boutique after 18 years of trade, due to major council works on Lawrence street, which carried on for years, that absolutely crippled every business on this popular shopping strip.

Closed streets, roadworks, council detours and cement trucks, diggers and demolitions... and on going delays, made it absolutely impossible to survive.

Our Freshwater boutique once was our bread & butter store, which had a huge following in this beautiful, bustling community..... However, these works, after 18 years, made it absolutely impossible to keep afloat.

We then poured out heart and soul into our Newport location. Build our online platform and worked our absolute hearts out to grow our Newport store, it's reputation and create a community.

This new development that has just been approved for Robertson Road could be the end of our business.

We have tried to survive this type of development before, which vacated almost every single store on its shopping strip in Freshwater and I fear this will happen again to our beautiful Newport community.

I beg to to please consider these businesses and what they are doing to create community to Newport, which has struggled for so long. And these businesses that are still standing, after the last two years of financial crisis.

Newport is back! It's bustling and it's only going to get better.

Please don't bulldoze it down... because it just won't come back and we have worked so hard for our families, to get our businesses to where they are today.

Thank you for listening and taking this into your consideration.

Marisa Young

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Owner - Splice Boutique