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To all interested parties:

In regards to the proposal and impending decision to allow freight rail cars to encroach our neighborhoods, we, the people of Northwest Illinois, are strongly opposed to such an unbalanced way of life.

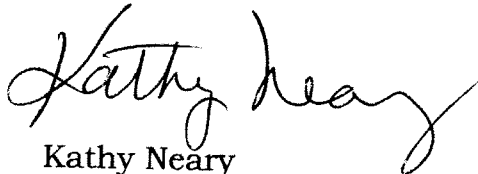
Naturally, this is extremely disturbing for us all.

We all need to understand fully the negative impact this transportation issue rises. First and foremost is safety: young children, the elderly and those in close proximation travelling either by walking, bicycling or riding school buses, will no doubt be in harms' way if this action is approved. Traffic snarl-ups, school bus jams are just a couple of eye-awakening problems that will already add to more unnecessary congestion in the Northwest suburbs.

As homeowners and retail merchants alike, we are totally aware of what the future consequences of railway cars through our development mean. The scope of this endeavor is set to fulfill empty pockets of political bureaucrats and eliminate the QUALITY OF LIFE we so endure.

Please, on behalf of our communities, re-evaluate what the phrase QUALITY OF LIFE really means to us homeowners and business owners who will struggle to maintain and strive above this audacity.

Thank you.



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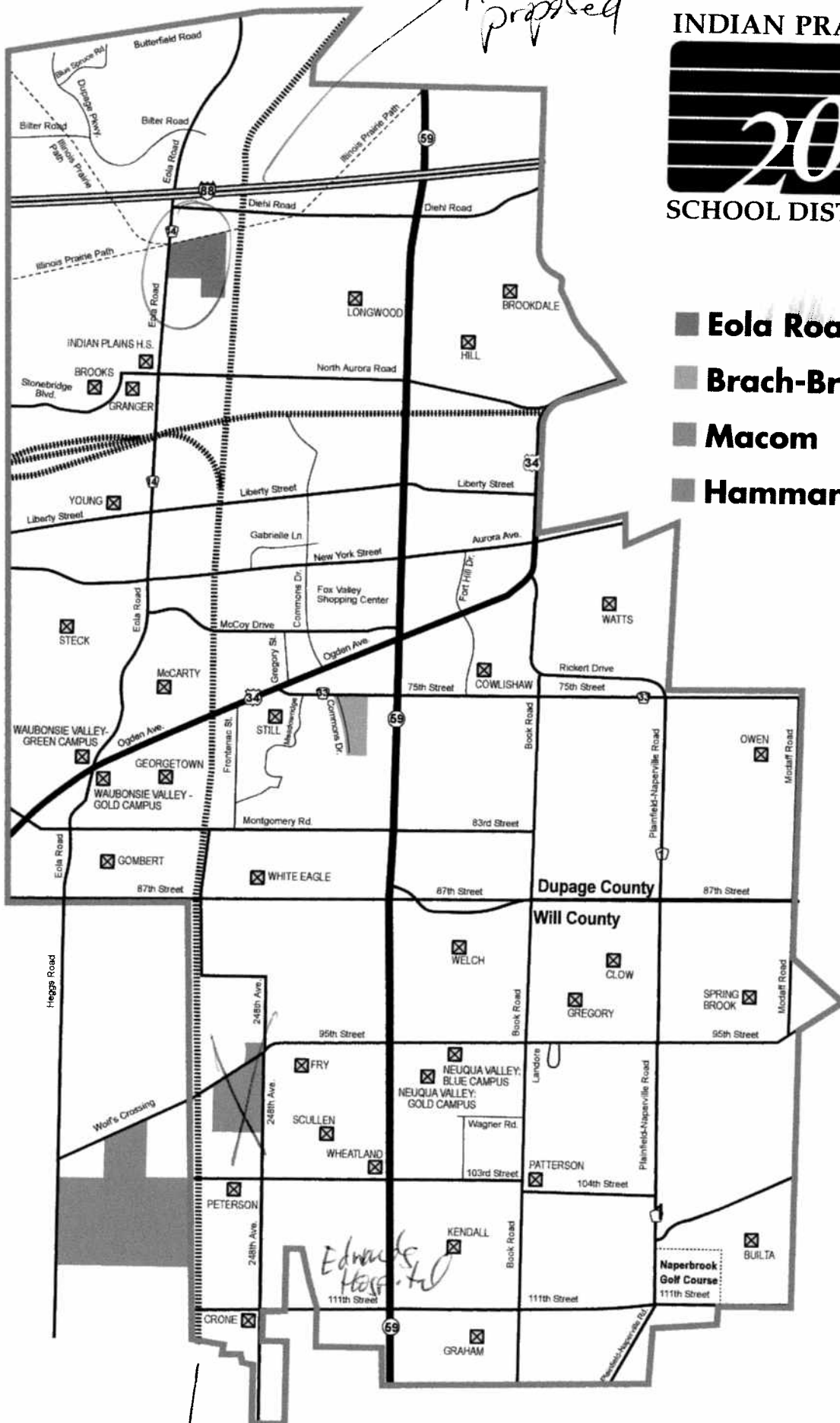
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