

## Personal Letter To The Mayor And Town Council

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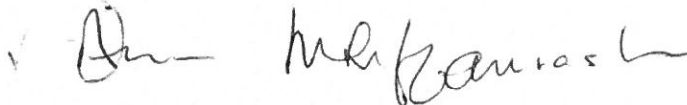
To Mayor and Town Council of Apple Valley,

I have been a resident of Apple Valley for the last 15 years. I have seen many positive changes including business development, quality housing development and an increase in family oriented activities including school improvement, restaurants, shopping and entertainment. I have also seen ongoing improvements in the roads and overall town maintenance and I support the Apple Valley philosophy in minimum half acre lots. Most importantly, I have witnessed on multiple occasions an open council that listens to the concerns and needs of the people. All in all, I am very happy to have had the opportunity to raise my family in a community that values the quality of life of its' residents and continually strives to maintain this.

I am more recently concerned with the out of control water rates and surcharges of Apple Valley Ranchos Water and Carlyle Investment Group rendering it difficult to maintain a reasonable lifestyle and overtly discouraging future residential and commercial development in Apple Valley. I personally have been approached by many individuals expressing interest in purchasing a home in Apple Valley, but reconsidering because of the high water rates. Moreover, when I personally called Apple Valley Ranchos water company inquiring about which days I could water my property, the representative blatantly lied to me saying that the Town of Apple Valley was going to police, report and fine people for watering on the wrong days. They also said the drought surcharge was a state mandate. Only after continued questioning and a call to Town officials did I get the true answers.

I do not support a continued relationship with Apple Valley Ranchos Water District and Carlyle Investment Group because I feel they do not have my best interest at heart, rather they are concerned only about their investors. Additionally, besides the fact that I was overtly lied to, I have no accessibility to this group, I have no voice in major decisions including fees and rates and there is no overseeing impartial body to ensure accountability and fair charges. For these reasons, I support public ownership of the water company by the Town of Apple Valley.

Thank you,



Dr and Mrs Siva and Mindy Arunasalam

