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Dear Friends, Neighbors and Residents of Crozet and Western Albemarle County,

I am writing to personally apologize for the events that took place on Roseland Farm on Friday evening last week between 6:00 pm and 6:30 pm.

For those unaware, King Family Vineyards hosted a fundraising event for [SEALKIDS](#) on November 18th, 2022. The mission of SEALKIDS is to support the children of the Naval Special Warfare (NSW) community through academic testing and tutoring.

During the event, a Hollywoodized theatrical performance was put on by [FROGDOGK9](#). The intent of the demonstration was to showcase the incredible skills utilized by the NSW community's K9 companions and included role players, lights, lasers, simulated gunfire, pyrotechnics, and a helicopter.

While I was made aware of some aspects of the demonstration beforehand, I was unaware of the decibel level of the simulated gunfire and pyrotechnics. When advised to contact the local Albemarle County Police Department and immediate neighbors about the event I immediately did so.

With that being said, I understand that the noise was audible for quite some distance and many neighbors and residents of our community were extremely concerned not only for their personal safety, but also for the safety of their families and pets and neighbors.

Our community is and should be a safe place for everyone to live, work and play without fear and last Friday night's event briefly put that into question for many. I am incredibly sorry for any distress that this event caused.

I want to thank the many people who attended the event. Thanks to your generosity, SEALKIDS raised \$35,000 which will fully fund six children in 2023 with the academic support that they need to succeed. More information about SEALKIDS can be found [HERE](#).

If anyone would like to speak with me personally about the event, I would be happy to meet with you. Please feel free to contact me anytime at james@kingfamilyvineyards.com.

Sincerely & apologetically,

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