To Whom it May Concern,

I had read an article in The Conway Daily Sun that there may be some changes coming to Mt. Washington's peak. I love that mountain. I feel like I have a personal relationship with it that may sound crazy but I talk to it! Every single time I see it (which is often) I say "there you are" without even thinking about it. I am a hiker and I have climbed the mountain twice. Once back in 2018 and then again this past July with my two adult children. They are not hikers, though they are both very athletic so it was a very enjoyable hike for all three of us. What stood out for them though was when we reached the peak, the massive amount of people up there and the many buildings. Waiting in line to take our picture at the summit sign was almost humiliating as we were behind so many who had either taken the Cog or the car road. That is what it is, has been for decades but building more to try and entice more tourists up there will surely degrade its majesty even more. People who truly respect these mountains for what they are (like myself) feel like we really don't belong up there but for the grace of God if we climbed and actually made it by foot. There are just some things people should have to accept that they can't do. I have seen such an uptick in tourism across the valley and with it has come more trash, more rescues and more people struggling for housing. As this is enticing and so hard to resist the money it brings into the state, it will eventually be ruined by humans and their basic lack of true respect for our precious environment up here.

My name is Cheryl Heal and I live in Bartlett. Long winded explanation I know but I guess all I'm trying to say is, NO MORE BUILDING on our stunning Mt. Washington, PLEASE.

Thank-you for your attention,

Cheryl