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Hon. Maurizio Bevilacqua, Mayor, Council and City Planners
City of Vaughan

Dear Mayor, Council, and City Planners,

RE: APPLICATIONS FOR AN OFFICAL PLAN AMENDMENT AND ZONING BY-LAW AMENDMENT

OWNER: 2385388 Ontario Inc.

North side of Nashville Rd., on the West side of Islington Ave.

Part of Lot 24, Concession 8, City of Vaughan (Municipal Address – 30 Nashville Road) - Ward: 1

File Nos.: OP.15.005 & Z.15.024 (Related PAC File No.: PAC.14.117)

I am a resident at 192 Silverado Trail, Woodbridge in the City of Vaughan. I do not live in Kleinburg; however it is a big part of my family's life and the main reason why we moved from Don Mills 13 years ago.

My children both attended École La Fontaine from Junior Kindergarden to Grade 8. I was a board member and then chair of the parent council for several years and also administered the twice weekly hot lunch program. Kleinburg was also where I worked for many years in various capacities.

In addition, I am a member of Book Chats at the Kleinburg library which meets monthly for the past 13 years. Moreover, the family is regularly in the village of Kleinburg and we are patrons of the various restaurants and shops. Many springs and summer were spent on the various soccer fields in and around Kleinburg as the children were part of the Kleinburg and Nobleton Soccer League.

In summary, we feel a big connection to the village and love its charm. We walk our dog in the trails behind McMichael on almost a daily basis. For us, having a local destination like Kleinburg enhances our quality of life and if Kleinburg did not exist, we would have moved from Vaughan a long time ago!

We strongly believe that Kleinburg is an asset to the City of Vaughan, the GTA and the Province at large.

We are very much opposed to the above-mentioned Application. It does not adhere to City of Vaughan's Official Plan (the "Official Plan") nor does it adhere to the Kleinburg-Nashville Heritage Conservation District Study and Plan (the "Heritage Plan"). I believe that the amendments being applied for seriously undermine the

Ontario Heritage Act and our city planning. Furthermore, if approved, a discouraging and progressive precedent will be set.

Accordingly, we urge you to review this Application with the utmost scrutiny and with strict adherence to the Official Plan and the Heritage Plan. We firmly believe that it is in the City of Vaughan's best interest to preserve Kleinburg as a historic village in order to ensure that it remains a destination with unique character and charm that continues to attract both locals and tourists alike.

Sincerely,

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