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PRESERVING THE HERITAGE DESIGNATION AND HERITAGE PLAN OF KLEINBURG

In 1998, members of my family and I chose to move to the village of Kleinburg as it offered affordable residential dwellings in a tranquil setting amidst a small rural community that preserved a rich history of conservation space and the acclaimed McMichael Art Gallery.

Thanks to the vision of the people in the community, Kleinburg was designated as a heritage village and for the first few years, we have enjoyed the charm of a small town offering all the essentials of comfortable living without the non-stop traffic that now pollutes the village.

Kleinburg at the time was definitely in need of merchants with unique businesses that offered services, entertainment, restaurants and culture-oriented attractions. Kleinburg was in need of a central forum that would attract people from all the outer limits to visit and linger instead of just parking by the road-side or driving though.

The answer was not to increase the population density by creating condo living which only serves to saturate the village and swallow up prime space. The vision for Kleinburg was intended to offer visitors a breath of fresh air while enjoying culture and green-space.

The City of Vaughan together with the developers are killing the spirit of Kleinburg with unwarranted and unattractive residential dwellings which will only increase the volume of traffic and thus deter visitors to the area.

Please stop jeopardizing the essence of the Kleinburg Core! If the cold and calculating decisions to compromise the essence of Kleinburg continue at this rate, we may just have to rename it "Ice-Burg".

Development decisions should be driven by long term welfare of the community, not short-term developer profits!

Instead of building condo units behind the bell building, or a daunting 3-story square block condo unit beside the RBC branch or 30 more residential units on stegman's mill, create a square where heart-warming people from all across the GTA can visit, mingle and stay while.

To whomever holds the wealth of power in our community, please use it to beautify the village of Kleinburg. Make us proud of our heritage!

Thankyou for listening

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