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Sign Our Opposition regarding the New Development In The Northeast Corner of Bayview and Elgin Mills East:

A request has been received by the **City of Richmond Hill** from **1430518 Ontario Limited** to amend the Official Plan and Zoning By-Law for the lands in the **northeast corner of Bayview Ave. and Elgin Mills East**. The subject lands are designated as **Neighborhood Commercial** and **Natural Heritage System** and zoned as **Rural Residential Four (RR4)**. It has been posted on the Bulletin Board (May 23, 2019) that the developer wants to **amend the zoning to Commercial (C1) zone** under the by-law 55-15 so that **it will permit apartment dwellings** and other residential/commercial uses. **The Amendment proposes to increase the maximum building height from 10 storeys to 15 storeys** to permit high-rise, mixed-use residential/commercial development comprised of **376 apartment units**. This will bring about **grid lock** in this area due to **increased density and traffic**, and **reduce public safety** in this neighbourhood.

Such a massive development surrounded by high rise buildings and townhouses as per the Developer's new plan will obscure the Richmond Hill Ganesha Temple, which has been a proud land mark in the community, besides creating traffic congestions and consequent stress and rift in the community harmony.

We would like the Richmond Hill City Council decline this plan proposal for rezoning as requested by the developer and **focus on preserving the surrounding Neighborhood "Character", Natural Heritage System**, and create a **Walkable and Liveable community** in which everyone could benefit living in a suburb neighborhood with parks, play area for children, and variety of amenities.