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VIA Email: clerks@richmondhill.ca

Richmond Hill City Council
225 East Beaver Creek
Richmond Hill, ON L4B 3P4

Dear Mr. Mayor and members of Council:

RE: Richmond Hill Council Meeting on May 20, 2020
Delegation regarding Item 3.3
File No.: 00610.00001

I have been retained by Harry Harakh, who lives at 66 Major Mackenzie Drive West, neighbouring the subject property. It is number 66 on Map 3 – Existing Zoning. On behalf of Mr. Harakh, please keep me informed of all further steps regarding this application.

Mr. Harakh and his wife Pam have lived in this house in Richmond Hill for over 34 years. They have contributed to the community and they have enjoyed watching it grow to a City. The Harakhs do not object to Richmond Hill growing and continuing to evolve.

However, Mr. and Mrs. Harakh are concerned because the “ultimate” Elizabeth Street South extension on Map 5 goes through their property and would take half of their living room. This is not clear from the map before council because their home is not shown. As a result, the street cannot be completed until somebody purchases the property who does not intend to live there.

However, due to the location and orientation of the property, there would be a significant loss in development potential and it might not be appealing for intensification. The result could be that Elizabeth Street is completed on both sides of the Harakh property but not connected.

The Harakhs are prepared to work with staff and the applicant to come to a reasonable solution to this problem. They would appreciate the support of council in this regard and a recommendation that staff meet with Mr. Harakh.

Yours truly,

Cherniak Law Professional Corporation
per:

Jason Cherniak
Barrister and Solicitor