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To: <u>Clerks Richmondhill; Jeff Healey</u>

Subject: 0 Elgin Mills Road East - City file D03 - 20003

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Dear Mayor & Councilors,

I am a Richmond Hill Hindu Temple Devotee. I am opposed to the condo high rise building at 0 Elgin Mills road east (Bayview ave & Elgin mills). Our Temple Towers were architecturally designed in accordance with Hindu scripture & the spiritual significance of the Towers great height to the practicing the Hindu faith. The north east portion of the property contains wetlands and a natural heritage system associated with a tributary of Rough River will be affected by pollution due increase in traffic & high-density population. The high density also increases the traffic in the area. It also increases crime in that area. Hindu women & children wear jewelry during the festival times to the Temple & that is our tradition. Richmond Hill Hindu Temple is the largest Temple in North America. We thank our Richmond Hill Mayor & Councilors to allow practicing our religion. Now we fear that high-rise condo towers disturb the importance of maintaining peace around the Temple. Most of the Hindus fear if the Highrise condo builds higher than our Temple Tower which is against our belief. We also fear our children & grandchildren not going to practice our religion in the same manner that we practice our religion. I hope the Mayor & the councilors understand our feelings to stop this high-rise condo building & prove Richmond Hill is one of the multicultural societies & allow us to practice the religion according to our belief.

Thank You Kavitha Navaneethan 41 Algeo Way Bradford, ON L3Z OW1