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Hello,

Thank you for letting me listen in to the residents meeting last night via zoom. I stayed listening until 8:30 and found it interesting.

I, too, would just like to voice my concern regarding the density and traffic issue which we would surely have if this were to be approved. In the last few years, I as well as everyone else, have seen over half a dozen hi-rise buildings erected along Yonge Street ranging from Highway 7 up to Major MacKenzie. Those of us who live close to Yonge Street have noticed a tremendous amount of traffic, not just because of construction but also due to the increased population density. One of the major attractions that Richmond Hill is used to enjoying is being a moderately paced, friendly, safe and unique environment. I am not totally against new growth but we have to recognize when it is time to stop and admit when overdevelopment is taking place; when the cons outweigh to pros.

I have lived here since 1979 in 5 different dwellings all around Hillcrest Mall. I am back in the same building where I started off over 40 years ago so I have witnessed all of the changes. Most of them being very good and contributed to the well being of Richmond Hill. I walked across the street to Kmart and carried home my first kitchen table and I shopped at Loblaws which was also inside the mall. My kids grew up here and went to our public schools and they have fond memories. It would be a real shame if young families today could not enjoy the same benefits that families once enjoyed because those who own the development companies would benefit more by piling people into hi-rises.

My last concern is property values. The draw for young families is to be near local amenities but also to raise their families in a quiet, peaceful and controlled environment. If I were to list my property for sale today I would not put on the listing sheet " steps away from 2 hi-rise rental apartment buildings" as a drawing point. It would be a detriment. I am afraid the more crowded this area becomes, the less desirable it is going to be to raise families here. I quite liked the idea which one woman spoke of in the zoom meeting last night where she suggested that we build something for young people or even kids as I believe we don't have anything like that around at present.

Thank you for your time and for taking my thoughts into consideration.

Yours truly,

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