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To: Clerks Richmondhill <clerks@richmondhill.ca>

Subject: Written representation regarding City Files D01-19005 and D02-19023 for Wednesday, March 24th, 2021

Dear Council of Richmond Hill,

Regarding the proposed four buildings at 0 Oneida Crescent (City Files D01-19005 and D02-19023). My wife and I are homeowners of one of the units at 39 Oneida Crescent. We would like to express our objection to the proposal of permitting an increase in the maximum building height for the new proposed construction on the site known as 0 Oneida Crescent.

Our reasons are two-fold. Firstly, such development of residential units in the area will cause a dramatic surplus in traffic flow in an already limited space. Oneida Crescent is a two-way street with one lane in each direction. At present, this is sufficient to serve the traffic coming from the buildings already in place. However, we believe that the current road system would not be nearly large or developed enough to handle the existing traffic as well as the new transit from the four proposed buildings with the proposed combined total of 1518 units. Simply put- even adding an extra lane in both directions isn't a viable option due to lack of space.

Secondly, our apartment, like many in our building, already has limited sun exposure facing north. To build in front of our building would decrease the amount of natural light into our apartment. I work from home, and already struggle to get enough natural light, especially in the winter, and fear that the lack of light into our apartment would negatively affect our quality of life. Furthermore, the blocking of our sunlight could well reduce the overall value of the property, and as first-time homebuyers who have worked extremely hard to purchase our first apartment, we feel within our rights to protect our investment as best we can.

To conclude, while my wife and I are not opposed to residential buildings being constructed on the site, we do believe that they should conform to the bylaw of the maximum building height of 15 stories. Furthermore, the bylaw regarding density, which was written in order to protect quality of life, must be respected.

Thank you for your time; we hope that you will consider our points carefully before making a decision.

Sincerely,

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