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Dear Sir

I am a landowner in the North East part of Richmond Hill, on Leslie Street North of the Bethesda sideroad.

I am writing this letter to support Councilor Muench's motion for the town of Richmond Hill and the Region of York to undertake the review of farming viability in the Leslie street corridor consideration is also given to the viability of lands North of Bethesda. I would like to point out that most of the north block of land is used for equestrian purposes , the only major agricultural endeavors are the growing of hay to feed the horses and a tree farm at the south end of the block as well as a small apiary mid-block. The poor soil conditions, high water table, widening and urbanization of Leslie Street, the expansion the Metrolinx Go Line, the increased traffic and the challenge due to the decline in the farming supply chain, make farming impossible and the land designations should be addressed

I would encourage a technical evaluation and not a political designation for the lands in our area. We are fully supportive of the green concept and the respect that we all know that farmers feed families, but please review and designate lands responsibly

Yours truly,

John H. Emery