

COPTIC ORTHODOX PATRIARCHATE ST. MARY AND ST. JOSEPH

COPTIC ORTHODOX CHURCH RICHMOND HILL, ONTARIO

"How lovely is Your tabernacle, O Lord of hosts. My soul longs, yes, even faints for the courts of the Lord" (Psalm 84)

Date: June 14th, 2022

Subject: Support of Schlegel Villages Development Proposal at 11300 Yonge Street, Richmond Hill

RE: City File D01-20018 and D02-20033

I am writing to express support from Coptic Orthodox Church of St. Mary and St. Joseph, located at 11308 Yonge Street, Richmond Hill for the Schlegel Villages development plans for 11300 Yonge Street. The southern boundary of our Church property is adjacent to the northern boundary of 11300 Yonge Street.

When we built the Coptic Church 12 years ago, what would be developed on the property south of our Church has been a concern. We are in full support of Schlegel Villages plans to build a beautiful facility and operate a business that is compatible with our Church. There is a lot of need for housing for Seniors. The community Schlegel's create in their Villages will be an asset to their residents, neighbours, the broader neighbourhood and the City of Richmond Hill.

Schlegel Villages engaged in conversation with me early in their process and I'm happy that they listened to and considered my comments.

Going forward, I look forward to our positive relationship with Schlegel Villages continuing and am certain that our friendship, co-operation and partnership between us will continue to grow.

Regards,

Fr. Abraam Kamal