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To whom it may concern,

I am in support of the application for new centre for children with Autism in Richmond Hill. I have worked with children that have Autism for over 3 years and I have seen the positive impact a centre like this can have. Supporting children with Autism by providing an environment for them to learn meaningful skills will be a huge asset to Richmond Hill and York Region. There are many young people currently who have Autism and are unable to access resources due to the lack of resources available. Opening up a new centre will greatly impact so many families in Richmond Hill and York Region by enabling them to have a positive and supportive environment for their children to grow.

Growing up in York Region, just down the street from the site of this proposed application, resources like this were not readily available. For most of my childhood, my next door neighbour was a boy my age with Autism. Since centres for children with Autism were not around, his family did not get all the supports and resources they needed to help their son learn new skills and expand his independence. Having a new centre in Richmond Hill for children with Autism now would allow for more families to access these life-changing services. The proposed application will make a world of a difference for so many people.

Thank you,

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