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**To:** Clerks Richmondhill <[clerks@richmondhill.ca](mailto:clerks@richmondhill.ca)>

**Subject:** City File: ZBLA-22-0021 Proposed Zoning By-law Amendment

Dear Sir or Madame,

I am aware that a public meeting is to be held on Feb01 concerning a proposed by-law amendment by Playlearn Playschool Inc.

This notice shall serve as my support of the application to permit the inclusion of a centre devoted to children with autism spectrum disorder on these premises.

As a parent of a child with autism, I am very much aware how important skill-building is for such kids and having places in our community to facilitate this education.

Skill-building isn't just about knowing how to do things, it's also about learning how to socialize and to be part of a community. My son has been very fortunate to receive extensive instruction in places like Playlearn and would not be in a position right now to be able to have a loving relationship nor gain employment had been denied such opportunities. In fact, he volunteers his time at a similar location coaching young kids on the autism spectrum.

I urge Council to approve this application.

Yours truly

Hugh Floyd