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Subject: Islamic Society of Regional Municipality of York zoning bylaw amendment application

Mayor David West and Members of Council,

I am writing to support the application submitted by the Islamic Society of Regional Municipality of York for a zoning bylaw amendment, draft plan of subdivision and Common Elements Condominium (CEC).

The Society's plan for Seniors' housing is a very noble endeavour and I fully support it since it would provide much needed facilities for seniors.

I strongly believe that our seniors ought to be treated with respect and dignity in their twilight years. They struggled all of their life to provide a better one for their children. We must in turn ensure that they spend the remaining years of their life in comfort and peace.

The Society's plans include many services that will help our seniors stay fit while enjoying the company of other seniors. I can imagine the day when I will be in the position of our seniors and benefit from the many services that are planned for them, though not exclusively for them.

It is my understanding that many seniors suffer from depression and anxiety due to loneliness. The Society's proposed development of seniors' housing will help end their loneliness. If they are mentally at peace, they will enjoy good health and will not be a burden on the healthcare system that is currently under severe strain.

In granting approval to the Society's zoning bylaw amendment application, the Council will not only help our seniors but also the broader Canadian society. I sincerely hope the Council will give this application sympathetic hearing and speedy approval.

Thank you.

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