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Good morning My apologies that you were not included on the original email this morning, my

oversight. Kathryn

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Subject: Kleinburg-Nashville Heritage Conservation District Plan Update

Good morning Ladies and Gentlemen: First off congratulations to you all, and thank you for taking on these challenging positions on behalf of our community.

Please see below for the concerns that the Kleinburg & Area Ratepayers' Association has regarding the heritage component of our Village.

The Kleinburg & Area Ratepayers' Association (KARA) views the Kleinburg - Nashville Heritage Conservation Plan as an essential tool in maintaining and improving the unique characteristics of the village. KARA welcomes any constructive changes that allow the plan to better mesh with changes in provincial legislation and to reflect improvements in building technologies. We would suggest keeping amendments consistent with other heritage districts in the province.

Unfortunately, it has been our experience that in the past, developments have often been approved that do not reflect the specific guidelines or the intent of the HCD plan. In these instances the fault does not lie with deficiencies of the HCD plan but with a failure to follow the guidelines carefully outlined in the HCD document.

In order to make the village a destination for tourists and residents and to improve economic vitality of the core, it is essential that a revised HCD plan recognizes the unique character and appeal of the natural and man-made elements of K-N that should be preserved and enhanced.

Changes to the plan that streamline / simplify the document could be acceptable as long as such modifications do not compromise the original intent. An expansion of the KN-HCD boundaries would be viewed positively especially if it included areas in the river valleys. The village core layout with a two-lane road is overwhelmed by increasing traffic volumes. Traffic calming features that enhance the pedestrian experience should be reflected in an updated plan. The reduction of unsightly on-street parking would be a worthwhile feature in the plan and would be a positive step to restoring and enhancing the heritage look of the village. At the very least where there is onstreet parking to delineate where exactly one can park in order to maximize the spaces. Some other areas we would like to see addressed are as follows: the unsightly fencing surrounding properties waiting for development and also the fencing required when construction is underway; window treatments and advertising which are not in keeping with the heritage features required. Our goal would be to have a plan that would be easier to transparently implement by city planners while continuing to table strong guidelines that can and should be followed. Overall what is required in order for everything to mesh appropriately is a more robust and enforceable by-law otherwise there is no incentive to maintain the heritage district.

Sincerely

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