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ITEM NO. 2

March 1, 2022

Tony Carella; Alan Shefman; Rosanna DeFrancesca

Subject: [External] File Numbers: OP.21.024 and Z.21.048

To Whom it May Concern,

My name is Adam Worth and I have lived at Ner Israel Drive since July 2006, which is only meters away from the proposed re-zoning and re-development area outlined in application for 8940 Bathurst St. As a father of 3 children, I am adamantly opposed to the development plan under File Numbers: OP.21.024 and Z.21.048 and I am horrified as to the potential impact that the re-zoning and re-development will have on my family, community, and environment.

The neighborhood and streets immediately surrounding the proposed development area are heavily traveled and I have personally witnessed increased traffic levels over the past number of years. Traffic delays and road congestion are commonplace and are further exacerbated with the regular festivals held at the Jafari Village. The potential changes in zoning and development would add thousands of new residents to this area and a considerable amount of new vehicle on our roads at all hours of the day. Furthermore, parking is already problematic in the immediate area surrounding this area and the proposal will ultimately put more parked cars on the surrounding streets. This fact is clearly evident by only offering 710 parking spaces for 708 dwelling units in the application. Moreover, direct access to public transit does not equate to transit usage and should not be considered as a mitigating factor.

The size and scale of the proposed re-zoning and re-development will have an environmental impact on our community. The subject lands noted in the applications are filled with old-growth trees and home to wild-life. If the application is approved, this beautiful area will be changed forever and will increase the noise and light pollution levels generated not only from this massive development project, but the people who would live there afterwards. Like my fellow residents on the south-side of Ner Israel Dr., my home faces north and this proposed development would be a visual eye-sore where an open sky once was.

There are numerous other concerns, including

- The burned this project would further put on our infrastructure, schools, and parklands
- Overcrowding and general safety in the area
- Will these be rental or condominiums dwellings?
- Overall quality of life living through a large-scale construction project
- The negative impact on the quality of life for the community as a whole
- The impact that this and other adjacent proposals will have collectively on the community

The community of Thornhill Woods does not benefit from the above-mentioned application whatsoever. I support the current zoning of these lands and completely oppose any further development and/or changes in zoning. I ask that the City of Vaughan denied this application.

Yours truly,

