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RE:

Item 1 – PRESENTATION: GREATER TORONTO AIRPORTS AUTHORITY

The Office of the City Clerk has received a petition entitled, "STOP Loud Noisy Low-Flying Airplanes in Vaughan & STOP Bill C-52" from Rose Savage, on behalf of various individuals and concerned area residents.

The total number of signatures on the petition is: 102

Their concerns are outlined as follows:

Vaughan residents are concerned about health deterioration due to falling hazardous materials, constant turns and contour noise, caused by fuel emissions from thousands of loud illegal low-flying airplanes daily 24/7 over Vaughan.

Many residents are experiencing breathing difficulties, lung issues and hearing problems. Even our trees are not spared - they're dying at an alarming rate.

It's not just us saying it - studies have shown that exposure to air pollution from airplane emissions and airplane noise can lead to various health issues including sleep disturbance, cardiovascular diseases and mental health problems (source: World Health Organization). Moreover the air pollution from planes also contributes significantly to environmental degradation (source: Environmental Protection Agency).

Our community deserves better. We have a right to breathe clean air for us and our children; we deserve peace of mind knowing that our health is not being compromised every time illegal planes fly overhead. Ratepayers have rights which have been ignored and neglected by our MP for Woodbridge-Vaughan.

We call upon the City of Vaughan and the MP for Woodbridge-Vaughan to reverse all illegal decisions and revert the planes back to their original flight paths for the sake of our public health, environmental sustainability and the maintaining of our rights.

Please sign this petition to stop their illegal usage of our airspace and stand up for a healthier future for all residents of Vaughan.

Our MP for Woodbridge-Vaughan is looking to approve Bill C-52 which will strip us of our existing rights. Your signature will make a difference to STOP them from this abuse of power.

A copy of the online petition document is on file in the Office of the City Clerk.