Committee of the Whole Meeting Tuesday December @ 1pm. Item 6 – 15 ENDORSEMENT OF FEASIBILITY STUDY FOR HIGHWAY 407

Dear Councillors and City Clerk,

I reside in Bolton and I am writing to you today because I work and regularly shop in Maple and have to contend with frustrating and time-consuming traffic congestion and gridlock on a daily basis.

I am asking you to support Councillor lafrate and DeFrancesca's resolution which is asking all Councillors to support the Premier's Feasibility Study to buy back the lease on Hwy 407 which the Premier has publicly acknowledged. More importantly, the resolution is asking the province to implement a 1 year pilot program that will subsidize or eliminate tolls on Highway 407 and evaluate the impact of the pilot on traffic congestion and efficiency.

This pilot will provide commercial vehicles with **immediate** low/no cost access to the underused Highway 407 and reduce the level commercial vehicles and overall vehicle volume on Hwy 7, Steeles, Langstaff, Rutherford and Major Mackenzie Drive and will allow the Province to assess the impact on congestion resulting from the reduction or elimination of the tolls on commercial vehicles.

In summary, I am asking each of the City of Vaughan Councillors to support resolution 6-15, Endorsement of Feasibility Study for Highway 407 put forward by Councillors lafrate and DeFrancesca.

Thank you for your support. Sara Bonaguro