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Mayor Steven Del Duca and City Council of Vaughan 2141 Major MacKenzie Dr W, Vaughan, ON L6A 1T1

Subject: CountryWide Homes development application for zoning by-law amendment and minor official plan amendment

Kwe,

The Wendat Nation has been working for decades in the protection of its heritage on our ancestral lands in Ontario. In recent years, we have developed a plan to instill good practices and put meaningful measures in place with CountryWide Homes (CWH) to ensure the appropriate, sensitive archaeological salvage and respectful planning of the Skandatut lands located west of Pine Valley Drive and south of Teston Road in Vaughan. Yändata', the Wendat Nation's archaeological company, and CWH, have established a clear and respectful plan to proceed with archaeological fieldwork and protective measures for this site.

We understand that CWH is soliciting the Wendat Nation's support for their development application for draft plan, zoning by-law amendment, and minor official plan amendment to the City of Vaughan. We wish to acknowledge, first of all, that a partnership has been established between the Wendat Nation and CWH to respectfully undertake the archaeological measures needed for this site. All of the First Nations with interests in the site have been engaged in various ways over the past three years, including through archaeological monitoring on-site, which continues to-date.

The Wendat Nation has no issues with the proposed height and density of the future development. And we are pleased to be collaborating with CWH on the planning and design for a future commemoration park, to respectfully honour our Nation's presence on this site, and to ensure the protection of the portion of the site that will remain. Indeed, the continuation of the archaeological work and delivery of items such as the park require the proposed development approvals.

CountryWide Homes's engagement with the Wendat Nation and other First Nations has been exemplary.

Yours sincerely,

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