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C3 Communication CW (1) – March 2, 2021 Items # - Presentation #2

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Dear Mr. Mayor and Members of Council:

As per our correspondence dated 28 April 2020 stating our opposition to the route being proposed for the Northwest GTA West Corridor, the Kleinburg and Area Ratepayers' Association (K.A.R.A.) continues to have very serious concerns.

Therefore, we are asking the City of Vaughan to support the Councils in the cities of Mississauga and Brampton who recently voted to ask the Federal Government to conduct an environmental assessment of the proposed GTA West Highway, slated to connect Halton Region through to York Region, cutting through Brampton, Caledon and Vaughan, ending at Highway #400.

We believe that this highway will have a huge negative impact on Kleinburg as well as cutting through valuable and irreplaceable farmland, waterways and our Greenbelt land in Vaughan. The Province's plan to fast-track this development presents environmental, social and economic risks that must first be addressed and we need strong intervention, oversight and protection before such a highway is undertaken.

Although we agree that increased highway capacity is needed for the future of Ontario, this may not be the preferred route.

We ask that you support an environmental assessment.

Yours truly,

Kathryn Angus President