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Dear Chair and Committee,

With regard to Item 4(9): Response to York Region's Request for Comments on Regional Official Plan Amendment 7, please seriously consider the ramifications detailed by the Planning Staff of the City of Vaughan and the City of Markham as well as the precedent that this decision will have for similar areas in York Region and beyond.

I encourage you:

- to reconsider and withdraw recommendations made at the Committee of the Whole Meeting on June 8, 2021, Item 6(9) and ENDORSE the staff report and recommendations as originally presented; and,
- NOT TO SUPPORT the proposed ROPA 7 application.

Greenbelt fingers were not intended to be parks, they are part of York Region's Regional Greenlands System. They were intended to protect the watersheds and provide naturalized areas, corridors, and habitat connectivity to support biodiversity. I urge you not to compromise on this matter of importance.

Map 2 of ROPA 2 clearly shows these lands as part of the Regional Greenbelt System. The Block 41 lands have already received special treatment through the endorsement of an **MZO**, active urban park and recreational uses have and were never intended to be a use permitted on the Regional Greenbelt System.

Please do not support the ROPA 7 private application. Protect the Greenbelt for future generations.

Sincerely,

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