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Dear Council Members:

I am writing to express my opposition to the construction of the proposed Highway 413. I live in Brampton and have lived here for almost 25 years. I am a parent with two young kids in elementary school. I oppose this Highway because it will increase greenhouse gas emissions when we are actively trying to decrease GHG emissions. I want my city to be part of the solution.

In 2019, Brampton City Council declared a climate emergency. We are living in a difficult moment that requires all of us to really think about the effects of our decisions. I want to see more being done about this. I think most people would be willing to make changes if they understood the severity of the problem. Choosing to build a new highway will negatively impact the environment in so many ways:

-it will cross rivers and water courses 85 times

-it will destroy 400 acres of the Greenbelt

-it will lead to more urban sprawl

-it will lead to more GHG emissions

We don't need or want this highway. It will do more harm than good. Instead of spending \$6 billion on a highway construction project that will worsen the climate emergency we are already in, we could be spending that money on public transit or increasing energy efficiency or any other measure to reduce our GHG emissions.

I urge you to oppose Highway 413 and support a full Federal Environmental Assessment. The climate emergency is real and deserves more thought and action. Without immediate action that reflects the environment as a priority, climate change will continue to worsen. I want my children to have a safe future. Building a highway goes against common sense and the declaration of a climate emergency. I want to see more action taken regarding this.

Sincerely,

Sabeen Abbas
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