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By E-Mail to minister.mto@ontario.ca

Honorable Carolin Mulroney Minister of Transportation 777 Bay St. 5th Floor Toronto, Ontario M7A 2Z8

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September 30, 2020 REGION OF PEEL OFFICE OF THE REGIONAL CLERK

Re: GTA West Corridor

Urban Boulevard Concept vs. Traditional Highway within Heritage Heights, City of Brampton

Dear Minister Mulroney,

The Laidlaw's have farmed the upper portion of this property for 3 generations and the lower portion since 1854. Heather and I took over the family farm in 1982 from my parents and have raised our 3 girls here at Orchalaw Farms transitioning through many changes from dairy to chicken production to finally taking over the Apple Orchard from my father in 1994 and owning and operating a pick your apple farm that allowed thousands of people to come to the farm to learn more about our industry and to have family time together picking apples. We joined the Heritage Heights Landowner Group after the province greenbelted about 60% of our farm without doing proper studies. While our family had always known that the City of Brampton would at some point expand and we would be included within the city limits we also want to be sure that is done with the environment in mind. We just want the sense of community to continue to grow within the city limits and foster a walkable fun community that our family can be proud to call our former home.

As the highway actually passes through our land:

We would like to express our full support to the City of Brampton's vision for the Heritage Heights community.

The idea and concept of a boulevard rather than a 400 series highway we believe lends towards amore inclusive and cohesive community plan.

It aligns better with the overall vision that the City of Brampton has put forward.

It can be started sooner as the Region of Peel and the City of Brampton have been collecting money for this (a regional road) for many years.

It also has strong environmental group support as the boulevard would be more environmentally sound.

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I do understand the concept of moving goods through the GTA but we also need to create walkable and environmentally sound communities. We want what is best for our community and for our Province.

Thanks for taking the time to read our thoughts.

Signed

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