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## Via Email - minister.mto@ontario.ca

Ministry of Transportation 777 Bay Street, 5<sup>th</sup> Floor Toronto ON M7A 2Z8

Attention: Honourable Caroline Mulroney, Minister of Transportation

Dear Madame Mulroney,

## Re: GTA West Transportation Corridor Urban Boulevard Concept vs Traditional Highway Heritage Heights Community, City of Brampton Bramwest Development Corporation

We are the owners of 10510 Heritage Road in the City of Brampton. The property comprises approximately 225 acres (91 hectares) of land within the "Heritage Heights Planning Area" ["HHPA"] within the City of Brampton. We are an active member of the Heritage Heights Landowners Group ["HHLOG"] who is working with the City of Brampton to complete Brampton's urban area.

In short, we are writing to you to indicate our strong support for the City of Brampton's new vision for the Heritage Heights community which was endorsed by the City of Brampton in August 2020. The design of the Heritage Heights Community Plan is the result of an extensive public consultation process. The planned community will include a full range of compatible urban land uses as envisioned in the Provincial Policy Statement and the Growth Plan for the Greater Golden Horseshoe. Central to the design of the community is the inclusion of an urban boulevard with at grade connections and pedestrian orientation which will achieve a more livable and complete community that is not divided by a multilane 400 series highway.

The urban boulevard concept is preferable to the design of a traditional 400 series highway when developing new communities. The safe and efficient movement of goods can occur via an urban boulevard without dividing a community in half much like a 400 series highway would. The City of Brampton evaluated the urban boulevard using 30 criteria typically used in the Ontario Environmental Assessment process. This evaluation demonstrated that the urban boulevard allowed for greater benefit to Brampton, the Region and the future residents of Heritage Heights while allowing for key multi-modal transportation opportunities.

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In conclusion the urban boulevard contemplated as part of the Heritage Heights Community Plan is a smart investment in transportation infrastructure; would allow for the development of a new mixed use community that is pedestrian and transit oriented while allowing for the safe and efficient movement of goods across the GTA and beyond. On this basis we request your support for the implementation of the urban boulevard trough Heritage Heights in the City of Brampton.

Should you require additional information, please do not hesitate to contact me via email at <u>elee@statebuild.com</u> or by phone: 416-787-0256 extension 230.

Yours very truly,

FOREST HILL HOMES on behalf of BRAMWEST DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION

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