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**To:** Regional Clerk <[ClerkGeneralLine@york.ca](mailto:ClerkGeneralLine@york.ca)>  
**Subject:** York Region Lockdown

Dear York Region Council Members,

As a resident of Richmond Hill, it is disturbing to hear Councillor Carmine Perrelli make statements that are contrary to facts related to Covid-19. He has urged you, members of Regional Council, to open everything up, remove restrictions and “let the good people of the community make the decision whether they want to follow the rules or not follow the rules.”

Recently, CEOs from York Regional hospitals issued a statement saying they “have reached a tipping point in our efforts to manage COVID-19-related volumes at our hospitals.” Councillor Perrelli disputes that claim, saying “capacity is not an issue,” and that Ontario has plenty of available ICU beds and that “we are not at any tipping point.”

Whether one agrees with all the measures meant to flatten the curve of the virus or not, the politicization of this pandemic by Councillor Perrelli is dangerous and confusing for some residents. Do not turn this crisis into a circus sideshow, intended to garner votes down the road. Focus on finding safe ways to move York Region out of lockdown and getting vaccinations to residents as quickly as possible. I urge all members of the York Regional Council to do their homework, listen to the medical professionals, work together to present a united, honest and well-informed strategy to curb the spread of Covid-19. Residents deserve nothing less.

Sincerely,  
Carol Davidson  
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