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**Re: Committee of the Whole – November 11, 2021 – Draft York Region
Official Plan – Item H.2.2**

New York

We act on behalf of Kennedy Road GK Holdings Limited and Kennedy Road GK II Holdings Limited c/o Humbold Properties, the owners of 11715, 11726 & 11865 Kennedy Road (the “**Subject Properties**”). The Subject Properties were bought by our clients in two purchases, 11 and 16 years ago, and total approximately 264 acres.

Our clients and their planning consultants KLM Planning Partners have actively participated in the consideration by the Town of Whitchurch-Stouffville of the expansion of the Greenbelt, and where and how the settlement area boundary should be expanded in the Town. They have also followed and participated in the Region’s Municipal Comprehensive Review and planning process to establish lands needs in the Region to 2051. In particular, letters were submitted to the March 18 and June 10, 2021 meetings of Committee of the Whole and Council.

Throughout this process, including as recently as the July 20, 2021 meeting of the Town of Whitchurch-Stouffville Council, staff and Councils at both the Town and Region have acknowledged the need for additional land in the Town to meet projected land needs. The lands located in the Whitebelt have also been appropriately recognized as being a priority for expansion.

Our clients were therefore surprised and disappointed to see that Regional Council is now proposing to consider expansions of the Urban Area in the Region not onto Whitebelt lands, but into lands designated in the Oak Ridges Moraine Conservation Plan and Greenbelt Plan. This is contrary to the provincial statutory planning regime, and is inappropriate from both a legal and planning perspective. The resolution brought forward on October 21, 2021, was inconsistent with every regional staff recommendation on where and how the settlement area boundary should be expanded.

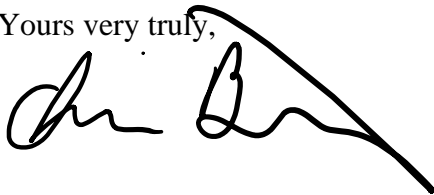
Our clients urge Council to not bring forward for further consideration any mapping which contemplates expanding development onto the Oak Ridges Moraine or onto the Greenbelt.

We look forward to seeing future decisions on this matter that are consistent with past recommendations on where and how the Region should grow, as well as with the legal

requirement to conform and not conflict with the Oak Ridges Moraine Conservation Plan and Greenbelt Plan.

We ask that we be given notice of all future consideration of these matters by Council, including the adoption of any official plan amendments.

Yours very truly,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Chris Barnett", with a large, sweeping flourish extending to the right.

Chris Barnett
Partner

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