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Subject: Beach Boulevard Development

Dear Sir

I am a long time friend of a resident of the Beach Strip Community. For many years I have watched (and helped when I could), as he and his neighbours turned this small residential community into a growing and vibrant part of the city where I grew up and live. My friend advised me that a Toronto group is attempting to purchase property in the area and develop condominiums or other multi-resident buildings.

Please do not allow this to happen. It will open the doors to developers only interested ONLY in the "bottom line" and not in the community well-being. Yes everybody will make a lot of money. But it will be at the expense of a group of Hamilton citizens who have worked hard and diligently with the city to improve life there beyond anybody's expectation. It has become a model of what can happen when ordinary residents stand up and speak out for the community in which they live.

I for one will be with my friend if there is a meeting or demonstration to stop the building of high density shoe boxes. The homes there are as unique as the folks who live there. So unique, that it became the backdrop for a book by a local author. I support the single home concept along the beach strip that was developed after many years of hard work. It was the plan. It has worked with fantastic success. It is now a desirable location for folks to live. Keep to the plan. On the Beach Strip it should be homes not high rises, condos or townies.

Thanks for reading this and hopefully we can keep this community a large lot single family one.

Dave Will