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To Whom it May Concern,

I am writing to express my serious concern regarding the proposed building project in downtown Ancaster. I find it difficult to understand how any traffic study could reasonably conclude that adding this development would have a positive or manageable impact on the already congested core. During peak hours—or whenever there are issues on the 403—Wilson Street becomes extremely congested, creating significant hazards for vehicles exiting local businesses, children getting off school buses, and pedestrians navigating the area.

In addition to the traffic concerns, I struggle to see how this building aligns with the character of the historic core. Its height and scale would far exceed that of the surrounding structures and would dominate the landscape in a way that is inconsistent with the area's heritage.

One of the ongoing challenges of living in the old part of Ancaster is the constant need to advocate for the preservation of the qualities that make this community so desirable. While this building may have a place in Ancaster, situating it in the heart of the town—on a two-lane road and among historic buildings—makes little sense.

I respectfully ask that you consider preventing this project from moving forward in its current form and prioritize the needs and character of the community.

Sincerely,

Jennifer Pate