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Subject: Proposal Objection - Wilson Street East, Ancaster (392, 398, 400, 406, 412)

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Good morning

I am a business owner with a unit in Ancaster, and I am writing this letter to strongly object to the proposal to build an extremely large apartment building in the Ancaster core, at 392, 398, 400, 406 and 412 Wilson St. E.

Ancaster prides itself on its heritage, and thus the 3-story limit helps to ensure that the aesthetic of the town is maintained. An 8-story building would be an absolute eye-sore. The traffic on the single-lane Wilson St. has become increasingly busy and the idea that Ancaster could handle traffic from the number of proposed new residents is outrageous. As the traffic studies were done at a time when traffic was very low, it is surely not reflective of the current state. Also, there is no capacity to limit traffic in order to proceed with the construction of this massive building that is proposed.

For our business, our parking lot is relatively small for the building and my clients on occasion have issues finding parking. There is no capacity in the core to provide for the number of proposed residents in this new building.

The proposal to build an 8-story building in downtown Ancaster is completely misguided and would have a significant negative impact on all current residents and business owners in Ancaster. There is no rational reason that Ancaster needs a building with that many residential units in the core of the town, and there is no capacity for it. There are certainly other properties around the greater Hamilton area that could better accommodate a building of this size.

Ancaster is an important part of the history of Hamilton, Ontario and Canada and we must work to maintain the historical integrity of the town instead of selling out to allow developers to cash in with absolutely no benefit to the people of the town, and a major negative impact on all.

Thank you

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