

PETITION TO THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF ONTARIO

Whereas the Town of Newmarket Official Plan was developed through extensive community consultation and commits the Town Council to manage growth based on specific principles;

Whereas Section 1.3.3 of the Official Plan states that growth should occur in a way that not only increases the quality of life for existing residents but also provides a functional environment for the future by protecting and enhancing existing natural features and systems;

Whereas a key principle set out in Section 2.1 of the Official Plan is a commitment to protect and strengthen existing neighbourhoods;

Whereas Section 3.2.1 states that the objective of the Stable Residential Area policies of the Official Plan is to sustain and enhance the character and identity of existing residential communities;

Whereas the Town of Newmarket has received an application from Marianneville Development Ltd. that if approved, would impose an additional 730 housing units into the existing, long established Glenway community;

Whereas the Glenway community was not designed to accommodate the water, sewer, traffic and other infrastructure requirements of the proposed development application;

Whereas the proposed development would not only change the character and identity of the Glenway community, it would have a negative impact on quality of life, would erode property values and would threaten the health and safety of its residents;

Whereas the Places to Grow Act, 2005 and the Growth Plan for the Greater Golden Horseshoe, 2006 provide for a significant portion of new growth to take place through intensification of built-up areas;

We the undersigned petition the Legislative Assembly of Ontario to pass the Preserving Existing Communities Act, 2013 proposed by Newmarket-Aurora MPP Frank Klees, that amends the Places to Grow Act, 2005 to provide that a decision made by a municipal council is final and may not be appealed to the Ontario Municipal Board if the following conditions are satisfied:

- The decision is to refuse a request to amend the municipality's official plan with respect to land that is designated for one or more of the following: Stable Residential Area and Parks and Open Space;
- The municipal council has passed a resolution stating that the requested official plan amendment would not be in the best interests of the municipality

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Please **DO NOT FAX** Return this petition with **original** signatures **by mail or deliver to:**
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