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Member of Provincial Parliament
Thornhill

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Dr. & Mrs. Paulo N. & Alexandra Correa
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Dear Dr. & Mrs. Correa:

Thank you for contacting my office regarding the proposed construction of a GO/Metrolinx intermodal station hub and parking lot on Crown land, (Land Registry Pin number 032320650) owned by the Ontario Realty Corporation. For your reference, I submitted this petition with 1,229 names to the Legislative Assembly of Ontario on March 22 and 24, 2011.

If you like to see the video of this petition submission, please visit www.petershurman.com. Click on Shurman TV and the embedded video links dated March 25 and 29, 2011.

I have met with the residents of Concord West dating back to July 2010 to discuss their concerns and issues with the present proposal. My staff has been working with government representatives and residents to address their concerns. An alternate plan, was presented by the community. I asked staff to investigate its compatibility with the project.

In December 2010, the Provincial Government decided to file the Environmental Assessment (EA) for the intermodal station hub rejecting the alternate plan. In a community meeting last January, I reaffirmed my support with the residents on this issue and wrote to the Infrastructure and Environment Ministers expressing my opposition.

We are aware that the Environment Minister has sent a letter dated February 28, 2011 advising ministry staff to proceed with the project, approving the EA, without any consideration of the impacts raised by the community. As requested, I have written to Premier McGuinty and urged him to listen to the concerns Concord West has raised.

Like my constituents, I am still opposed to the proposed intermodal hub. Additionally, construction costs for the proposed transitway on these lands have not been approved or allocated. I will continue to bring my constituents concerns to the attention of the current government.

I thank you again for your valuable input on this important issue. It is greatly appreciated.

Sincerely,

Peter Shurman, MPP
Thornhill

