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Janet McDougald, Chairperson
Peter Joshua, Director of Education
Peel District School Board
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Dear Chair McDougald and Mr. Joshua,

We write to you to express our deep concern about the lack of public consultation that has been undertaken with respect to the proposed construction at Applewood Heights Secondary School. While we understand that this project will provide new facilities for students, we are concerned that there has been little consideration to how this will impact the local community and residents.

It would be an understatement to say that we have been caught off guard by this proposed construction. We found out through resident inquiries, not through the PDSB. We are frustrated that the PDSB has been saying publicly that the "city approved" this construction. We were only notified recently by residents that this was occurring; we did not receive notice from the PDSB. While you may have the as of right ability to proceed with construction, some notification to the local Councillor and Mayor would have been appreciated.

We share many of the concerns of the local residents, starting with the 6 inch setback from some residential property lines. There is also great concern that the flood lights will cause great disturbance to adjacent properties. As well, we have concerns about the terms and conditions of the licensing agreement with Community Sports Partners. Specifically, access by the public and the permitting of flood lights up to 11:00 p.m., will greatly impact the surrounding community. At the very least, we feel that the PDSB should have consulted with these residents.

We stand with the community and share their displeasure that this project has progressed with little to no consultation by the PDSB. While we agree that there is merit in this project to the students and the school, the impact on local residents must also be considered and at the very least, they need to be consulted and provided with all the information.

The decision to proceed is yours. We write to you today to request that you take action to immediately address the concerns brought forward by residents and the community and work with all impacted parties to address the outstanding issues, before proceeding any further. To date, we do not believe the voices of our residents have been listened to.

We would like to meet with you and discuss this further, as well as to help arrange a meeting with the community for the purposes of information sharing and for hearing their feedback. Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,



Bonnie Crombie
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