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Ms. Rachel Dillabough
Clerk
Town of Georgina
26557 Civic Centre Road
Keswick, Ontario
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Dear Ms. Dillabough:

Re: Proposed New Countryside Zoning Bylaw

On behalf of my client the North Gwillimbury Forest Alliance (NGFA), I would like to inform Council and staff that, with respect to the Lake Simcoe Conservation Preserve (former DG lands), we strongly support the proposed bylaw. NGFA and I very much appreciate staff's work to advance the bylaw to this point.

The zoning of the Conservation Preserve lands as Environmental Protection and Agricultural Protection and the general provisions for those zones, complemented by the Minister's Zoning Order and subdivision deeming order, and of course the Conservation Authority's ownership of the lands, will ensure that these lands are protected in perpetuity to the greatest extent possible. Council's approval of this bylaw will be the capstone of the 11-year effort to protect these lands.

I strongly urge Council to pass the bylaw at the earliest opportunity following the September 7 public meeting, and within the term of the present Council.

I trust these comments will assist staff and Council in their consideration of the bylaw.

Yours sincerely,

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Anthony Usher, RPP

cc. Tolek Makarewicz