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Attn: Heather Lysinski

Planning and Environment Committee

London City Hall

300 Dufferin Street

London, Ontario

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Chair and Members of the Planning and Environment Committee,

As residents of the Meadowlily area, we would like to give comments and our concerns regarding the development application, OZ9192, for a lot in our neighbourhood otherwise known by the address, 101 Meadowlily Road South. The first area of concern we have is with regard to safety and the amount of traffic on Meadowlily Road South itself. Meadowlily Road is more like a rather small, narrow country road. It has no sidewalks and when it is busy and parked up, there is little room for pedestrians and so many vehicles. The applicant/owner wants to build "10 townhomes (52 units) and 36 single detached dwellings" to a rather small lot, that means the traffic along our road would increase more than ten-fold (present population about 36 people to an estimate of about 200-260 people) and that poses a threat to the safety of the people who need to use this road to get from their homes to go to work and shop in the vicinity. The people on our road need get pass that large complex to get to jobs and services and will have a much harder time doing that. The congestion will be considerable out at Commissioners Road and beyond. There are also a lot of people who walk our hill as individuals, groups and families with small children that would be put at risk due to this vast increase in traffic. There are accidents on our road like it is and

this increased volume will mean that this will only get worse. There are a lot of seniors who live here as well as families with young children who are concerned about the issue of safety on our road given the large scale of this project.

The environmental studies for the area study as well as the one attached to this file suggest that there are numerous species at risk that will be negatively affected by the density of this plan and the nearness of a much larger population to these important natural resources: an endangered species of bats that control insects and mosquitoes in this wetland area, butternut trees, monarch butterflies, barn swallows, eastern Wood-Peepees, crème violet and other plants and flowers important to our neighbourhood and area. It seems like the mitigation measures mentioned in these studies seem inadequate to prevent serious damage to these animals and plants. What about correcting for the loss of habitat for these resources?

In addition it is also a matter of concern to us about what measures are being taken to make sure that the "private pumping station" being added to a city and public sewer at some point in this process event of the failure or malfunction of such a unit be assessed as to the impact that might have to neighbouring properties and land owners? The pump line of that unit has to transverse a pipeline that crosses Meadowlily Road in the vicinity of the old Baseline right-of-way near the area of Park Farm. Note the vent for that feature that in on the south boundary of 129 Meadowlily Road South. Has any provision been made to consider the impact that might have if this system or its conduits might have on the sensitive areas around this proposed development?

We wish to express our opposition to this plan and ask that serious consideration be given to downsize this plan more dramatically than is proposed by this deferred and revised plan.

Respectfully,

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