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Dear Councillors,

I am writing today in support of renaming the section of John Street from the railway tracks to Weston Road as 'Peter the Barber Boulevard' in honour of local entrepreneur Peter Kalamaris.

At the heart of Weston Village are great, independent retailers and service providers. These are the type of small businesses that give a vibrant character and local flavour to our neighbourhoods. World Famous Peter's Barber Shop is an outstanding example of the unique relationship that a family business has with the community, and over the past five decades, this one-of-a-kind barber shop has seen its legend grow.

Since the shop's late proprietor Peter Kalamaris first opened his doors, a simple barber shop became a temple to one of Canada's favourite sports, hockey. Full of memorabilia and autographed sports treasures, the shop has drawn attention from far outside of York South-Weston, and even hosted the Stanley Cup last year, an accomplishment the late Peter Kalamaris would surely has been fiercely proud of.

In celebration of 50 years of World Famous Peter's Barber Shop, I stand with the residents of Weston in support of recognizing this local landmark.

Sincerely,

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