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Members of the North York Community Council
c/o City Clerk's Office
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Dear Members of the North York Community Council,

My name is **Christina De Andrade-Messere** and I am writing on behalf of **Duffield Devils Minor Hockey Association**, where I serve as **Manager of the U16 Team Black**. Our organization works in youth minor hockey development across Downsview community.

We have been engaged with Northcrest Developments over the past 2 years through partnership discussions in local youth sports and recreation. From the start, Northcrest has shown a clear interest in working alongside local organizations and understanding how their efforts can complement the work already happening in the community.

Our experience with Northcrest has been shaped by openness and mutual respect. Their team makes time to listen, to learn, and to understand the needs and values of organizations like ours, including the youth and families we represent. They approach partnerships with humility and care. When we have shared concerns or aspirations, those conversations have not felt transactional. They have felt like part of a larger effort to build trust and strengthen the foundation of the area. We truly value the strong relationship we've have built over time. Working with Northcrest has been seamless, collaborative and rewarding for our team.

We support the application for the Hangar District because we have seen how Northcrest works behind the scenes and on the ground. They don't just show up for major announcements. They support the day-to-day efforts of local organizations. They help create space and capacity where it is needed most. They bring resources, but more importantly, they bring intentionality and consistency.



The Hangar District reflects what we believe is possible when development is community-informed and guided by shared values. We are looking forward to the benefits this plan can bring, including new community spaces, opportunities for youth employment and spaces for programs and services.

This work has already created opportunities for connection and collaboration. With the approval of this application, we believe even more doors can open. It will provide a platform for continued partnership, stronger infrastructure for community work, and a chance to make North York a place where more people can thrive.

Thank you for the opportunity to share our support.

Sincerely,
Christina De Andrade-Messere