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**ATTENTION: Corporate Services** 

Re: 2223 Westside Road, Kelowna, B.C.

Application to RDCO for variance to reduce the minimum front setback of a principal building in the RU Zone from 6.0m(19.7 ft.) to 2.29m (7.5 ft.)

We would like to be good neighbours but have a concern re the safety of allowing such a reduced setback. Vehicles heading north pick up speed when they see the straight stretch of road ahead at that location after driving the dangerous & winding road from the south.

We have been driving Westside Road for over 35 years to our home at Westside Place/Wilson Landing. With increased traffic, Westside Road has become one of the most dangerous roads in B.C. with a significant fatality record.

We observe that in addition to the obvious contributions to danger – difficult terrain, lack of adequate safety barriers, increased traffic, increased speed resulting from partial road improvements – the most significant issue is driver habit error.

Drivers become impatient and misjudge the danger when "stuck" behind a cautious driver. They anticipate a straight stretch heading north and speed up to take advantage of what they think is an opportunity to pass or simply speed up, particularly motorcycles, not realizing a vehicle or people may be entering the road. 2223 Westside Road is an example of such a location.

We hope that due consideration will be made regarding the safety of traveling vehicles and the residents of 2223 with this proposal.

Respectfully submitted,

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