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Municipality of Dysart et al P.O. Box 389 Haliburton, Ontario K0M 1S0

Re: Rezoning Application – Lands of Rieger, Con 2 PT Lots 13 & 14 and Closed Rd Allowance Plan 370 Block C RP19R6886 Parts 1,2,4 in the Geographic Township of Havelock, Municipality of Dysart et al. (for Dysart Committee of the Whole Meeting March 23, 2021)

Mayor, Deputy Mayor and Councillors,

Kennisis Lake Cottage Owners' Association (KLCOA) opposes rezoning of the parcels of land identified in the above rezoning application from Open Space (OS) to Waterfront Residential (WR3). The opposition to this rezoning application is made without prejudice to the current property owners.

As you are aware, there are a number of land parcels in the Kennisis Lakes area that are zoned Open Space and Environmental Protection (EP) areas. These were designated as such, in order to protect the water quality and natural environment of the Kennisis Lakes by limiting development. In many cases, these original zoning decisions were made by the municipality in collaboration with the community which included input from the KLCOA.

We have clear evidence that the water quality in our lakes is declining as indicated by the increase in levels of nutrients that we have been measuring (<u>www.klcoa.org</u>). Additional development beyond the current approved zoning WR areas will put further pressure on our lakes and on our effort to maintain good water quality. In addition, the KLCOA Board of

Directors recently passed a motion, that that lands in the Kennisis Lakes area currently zoned as Open Space (OS) or as Environmental Protection (EP), should remain so and not be rezoned as Waterfront Residential (WR).

The Kennisis Watershed & Lakes Management Plan (September 2007) endorsed by both the Kennisis Lake community and Dysart et al Council includes principles and recommendations to preserve water quality, natural shorelines and lake viewscapes. Water quality and undisturbed natural shorelines are both critical elements for maintaining a healthy lake and are closely related to protecting the currently zoned OS and EP areas.

We respectfully request that the Dysart et al Committee of Whole deny this application for rezoning from OS to WR3.

Sincerely,

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cc: KLCOA Board of Directors J. Iles – Director of Planning, Dysart et al