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Dear Members of Council,

I am writing on behalf of the Rider Training Institute, a national not for profit motorcycle licensing and safety training organization that has been operating in Guelph since 2002. We value being part of the local business and transportation safety community in Guelph, and hope to remain for many years to come. It has been brought to our attention that a proposed by-law amendment related to the storage of shipping containers on industrial and employment lands may compromise our ability to maintain operations in the city. We are hopeful that our current storage facility, located at **15 Malcolm Rd (JMH Auto)** meets current zoning permissions, and therefore be eligible for legal non-conforming use status.

We respectfully request that the property at 15 Malcolm Rd be reviewed to confirm that the site meets current zoning permissions.

Additionally, we encourage City Council to consider extending the compliance deadline for businesses affected by the proposed amendment. Considering that local businesses, the lifeblood of any community, have only recently had the opportunity to begin to recover from the COVID lockdowns, extending the compliance deadline would constitute a meaningful sign of support on the part of Council, and one that is unlikely to compromise the City's long term planning objectives.

Signed,

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