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Hello:

I am writing to express my concern on the Waterfront Hotel Planning Study and to offer potential solutions to this concern.

I am most concerned with the potential congestion of both people and automobile traffic on Elizabeth Street where, to the east, all residents (151 residential units and 6 commercial units) and hotel guests (The Pearle Hotel and Spa) of the Bridgewater complex enter one parking garage at the bottom of Elizabeth Street near the traffic circle. Traffic is already at a high level now that the hotel is in full operation, including large weddings and buses, and the condominium is almost fully occupied with wait times growing at the lights to turn onto Lakeshore Road in either direction. The current drawings for the Waterfront Hotel Planning Study show only one entrance/exit onto Elizabeth Street for the new complex, which has significantly more units than the Bridgewater complex.

In order to address this concern, I suggest the following solution recognizing that others have offered suggestions to do the complete opposite. Here are three proposed adjustments:

- Move the Waterfront Hotel buildings further west, reduce the space between the
 two buildings and add space to the east. This will provide a sight line to Lake
 Ontario from Elizabeth Street where we also have condominiums and people
 living. The viewing space from John Street to Lake Ontario is too large.
- Add another entrance to the development on either Brant Street or Lakeshore Road to ensure the sole access to the residences, commercial space and proposed hotel is not just from Elizabeth Street, which will avoid congestion and overburdening a very small street.
- During construction, the development's staging location should be to the west away from Elizabeth Street, construction vehicles should be prohibited on Elizabeth Street and 8-10 foot solid hoarding fencing should surround the construction buildings to maintain cleanliness standards of both the Pearle Hotel and Bridgewater Residences.

Thank you for considering my proposed solutions to my concern.

Paul Roberts, Bridgewater Resident