



January 21, 2021

SUBJECT: Support for the Expansion of Van Zanten Greenhouses in Pelham ON

To whom it may concern,

I'm writing today to express the support of Flowers Canada (Ontario) Inc. (FCO) for the proposed expansion of Van Zanten Greenhouses in Pelham.

Flowers Canada (Ontario) Inc. is the provincial trade association of Ontario's flower producers. Our members across the province include greenhouse farmers, distributors and importers/exporters all producing or trading in cut flowers, potted plants, bedding plants, and cut greens. Our goal is to improve and strengthen the unity of the floriculture sector. Additionally, we strive to create an environment for our sector to thrive and prosper as a major contributor to the economy and quality of life in Ontario.

Ontario's flower growers contribute significantly to the economy of our province and the numerous local farming communities within it, including Pelham ON. In 2019, Ontario's flower growers realized farm gate sales of nearly \$820 million, with over \$340 million being derived from exports. Furthermore, our sector has invested heavily on advanced technologies to further optimize production, thereby creating a wide diversity of innovative and exciting employment opportunities throughout rural Ontario.

We believe that Ontario's greenhouse sector is well positioned to capitalize on sales opportunities across North America, and we actively encourage all members to seek opportunities for growth, wherever possible.

We feel that Van Zanten Greenhouses' efforts to expand are a testament to their faith and commitment to the people and skills available in the Pelham community. Van Zanten Greenhouses is a member of FCO in good standing, and we believe that their expansion plans hold great opportunity for growth in our sector, and the local economy of Pelham. For any questions, please do not hesitate to contact our executive director, Andrew Morse, at andrew@fco.ca.

Sincerely,

Arielle DeBoer
Vice President, FCO

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January 27, 2021

RE: VanZanten Greenhouse zoning relief.

To the Town of Pelham,

We are aware that VanZanten Greenhouses at 879 Foss Road in Fenwick is planning an addition expansion to their greenhouse. We'd like to voice our support of that plan. Although we are not located in Pelham, we are very much involved in your community.

VanZanten Greenhouses provides us space and growing expertise for two of the floral crops we grow and market in Canada, and Eastern United States. This is an important part of our greenhouse business. In fact many of these plants go through floral distributors, wholesalers and garden centres such as United Floral Distributors, Niagara Quality Flowers and Rice Road Greenhouses, all who are a part of the Pelham community.

We hope that our support of the VanZanten family and their farm will also see you support them on this project.

Respectfully submitted,

Rodney Bierhuizen



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January 27, 2021

To whom it may concern:

I understand that Jan VanZanten is applying for a minor variance for expansion to his greenhouse business.

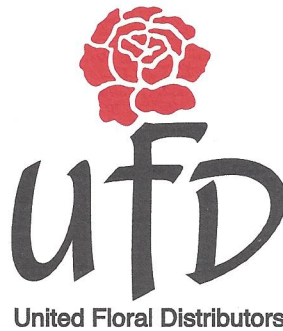
As owner and neighbour to Jan VanZanten and chair of the Pelham Greenhouse Growers Group, I fully support the expansion of his greenhouse business and the application for a minor variance.

The expansion of our nurseries and greenhouse businesses from time to time are necessary in order to remain viable during these challenging times.

Please do not hesitate to contact me should you have any questions or concerns.

Sincerely

John Langendoen



January 30, 2021

RE: VanZanten Greenhouse zoning relief.

To the Town of Pelham,

On behalf of United Floral Distributors at 1050 Canboro road in Fenwick we wanted to send a letter regarding the minor variance application for VanZanten Greenhouses at 879 Foss Road.

This letter is to show our support for their addition to the greenhouse on the east side of their property, as long as this greenhouse is not used for the growing or processing of Marijuana. As a Floral products company, we rely on local floral greenhouse farms to supply us with fresh product for our customers. We need our greenhouse growers to be able to continue to support us so that we can also continue to be a successful business here in the Pelham community.

Currently we employ 120+ people here in Pelham. Much of the employment we are able to provide is directly linked to the amount of floral products we can supply, so we need our greenhouse partners to be able to continue to grow and expand as well.

We ask that you positively consider supporting this application for the continued success of Pelham and its floral community.

Respectfully submitted,

Albert Elmers

Owner

February 02, 2021

RE: VanZanten Greenhouse zoning relief.

To the Town of Pelham,

We are writing you this brief letter to show our support for our neighbour's expansion plans at 879 Foss road. We live at 31 Martha court and the rear of our property backs on to the east side of the VanZanten property. We actually began the greenhouse farm there in 1990. Over time our son Jan and his wife Christel have taken over the family greenhouse at that address.

We are very excited to see them continue to work hard and support their growing family. They plan to build onto the greenhouse and we are writing this letter to let you know that as neighbours and parents we support them and are excited to see this happen.

We hope the Town of Pelham will also support the VanZanten family in this project for the continued success of floriculture and gardening in Pelham, and of course the whole Pelham community.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'Jan and Kitty VanZanten', with a stylized flourish at the end.

Jan and Kitty VanZanten

31 Martha Court, Fenwick (Pelham) Ontario.

March 05, 2021

RE: Vanzanten Greenhouse zoning relief.

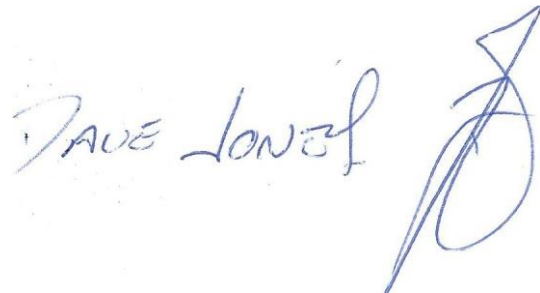
To the Town of Pelham,

We are writing you this brief letter to show our support for our neighbour's expansion plans at 879 Foss road. We understand that they plan to add to their greenhouse on the east side of the property.

We live across the road from their farm at 874 Foss Road, and being neighbours with them for quite some time we are excited to see them be able to continue with the growth of their farm.

We hope the Town will also support the Vanzanten family in this project for the continued success of the whole community.

Sincerely,

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Dave Jones and Family.

March 04-2021

RE: Vanzanten Greenhouse zoning relief.

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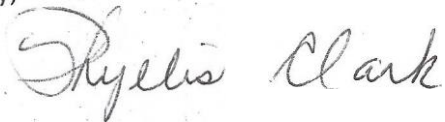
Although our address is 916 Church street, we are neighbours to the Vanzanten family as our property backs onto the north east corner of the Vanzanten property.

We are writing you this brief letter to express our support for our neighbour's expansion plans at 879 Foss Road on the east side of their property.

We have been neighbours with them for quite some time and we are excited to see them be able to continue with the growth of their farm and family.

We hope the Town will also support the Vanzanten family in this project for the continued success of the whole Pelham community.

Sincerely,

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The Clark family
916 Church Street,
Fenwick, Ontario.

March 09, 2021

RE: VanZanten Greenhouse zoning relief.

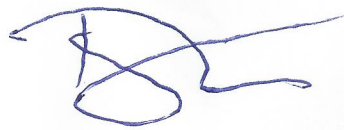
To the Town of Pelham,

By way of introduction we are the Dreyer family living at 907 Foss road, and are neighbours to the west of the VanZanten family farm. We are writing this letter in support of their application for a minor variance in relation to an expansion of the east side of the greenhouse.

It would be wonderful to see the Town of Pelham also support its local farms and farmers so that they can continue to be a vibrant part of our communities.

Sincerely,

Jessica Dreyer

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February, 2021

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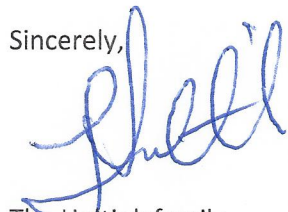
We are writing you this letter to voice our support for VanZanten Greenhouses and their plans to add an addition to the greenhouse. We are their neighbours on the north side with a large equestrian farm and are thankful to have them as neighbours.

In these trying economic times it is good to see a small family farm continue to work hard to support themselves and the community. It would be good to see the Town of Pelham support their citizens and business' as well.

We also appreciate having a greenhouse involved in floriculture as neighbours. It wouldn't be good to see another farm leave our community or be sold for other growing purposes.

We sincerely hope you take our support of this application by the VanZanten family seriously and continue to support local Pelham farms!

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Hultink', written over the word 'Sincerely,'.

The Hultink family.

935 Farr street, Pelham.