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The store has always been something my family takes much pride in. Growing up, I always loved going to work with my dad: playing grocery store with my sister, eating snacks, waking up at 5:30 a.m. to go to work with my dad in the morning so I could catch the bus there a couple hours later, and my favorite, chatting with all the customers from around the community.

The employees at the Shell have always been like family to us. Judy has been there for many years, watching my dad and uncle grow up, my siblings and cousins, and now my children. Judy is more like family; she would attend our graduations, proms, sports games, anything to support us. I have always looked up to my father and uncle; they have always been able to successfully run a business while still making sure family is the most important thing.

Whether it's a 15-minute school concert, a hockey game, or just to drive us from point A to point B, they have always been there and never missed anything! I have always been so proud to be able to say my father and uncle own Howatt's Shell, a family business passed down multiple generations and owned by two of the most genuinely friendly, helpful, and kind people.

Seeing my children's faces light up when we pull up to "Papa and Uncle Ick's Store" makes me incredibly happy. Watching them run around grabbing treats and talking to customers, they get to enjoy the store as much as I did when I was younger. To be able to see my children making memories with family at the Shell and to see their papa work so hard for his family is something I want them to see. Family businesses are so much more than people think; by taking away a family business, so many people suffer in the family and around the community.

Borden-Carleton already has three gas stations, a fourth would be incredibly unnecessary. Another would lead to taking business from the three gas stations already in the community. members of the community would possibly lose their jobs from the existing gas station that will have to shut down because surviving in such a small community would be impossible. Dickie Roads traffic will increase significantly, once a safe place for children to play, and people to walk on the side of the road. This will become an area where they have to constantly watch for high traffic.

Thank you for taking your time to read my letter, I hope you hear me when I say this will greatly affect my whole family including my children that are only 2 years old and 2 months old.

Sent from my iPhone