

Writing in memory of my late mother Elsa Leviser, a longtime Hudson resident and landscape architect and urban planner and conservationist who did much good work to benefit Hudson, quality of life in Hudson, the environment of Hudson for the well being of inhabitants.

Please establish clear limits in accordance with the City Zoning Code and waterfront development plans, to prevent an unchecked surge of industrial truck traffic.

We do not want to see Hudson threatened as it was by the St. Lawrence Cement Plant.

Whatever industrial activity at the waterfront that is permitted must coexist in harmony with adjacent parks, residents, businesses, and public spaces. It's the Planning Board's responsibility to SAFEGUARD these spaces. We cannot allow Colarusso's commercial activity to be detrimental to the ongoing development of our waterfront; to the adjoining public park where children play and adults recreate; to existing waterfront businesses who contribute significantly to the City's tax base and provide good local jobs and enrichment to our community life; and to the health, safety and wellbeing of the public.

The Planning Board's decisions will apply to all dock owners — current and future. Therefore, it is vital to establish clear limits, in accordance with the City Zoning Code and waterfront development plans, to prevent an unchecked surge of industrial truck traffic. Otherwise, we could be facing something akin to the St Lawrence Cement Plant threat of 1999-2005.

Without strict conditions on the dock permit, heavy trucks could cross wetlands, parks, streets, and Amtrak lines almost every day — threatening our community's safety, health, and future.

The Threat – Massive Increase in Industrial Truck Traffic: Since purchasing the dock in 2014, Colarusso almost tripled truck traffic from 2015-2019 (5,460 to 15,180 trips). If Colarusso proposes the same limits previously approved by Hudson Planning Board for the Haul Road Permit, truck activity could explode to tens of thousands of truck trips per year, or even higher without limits. With possible proposed limits, or no limits, we could see:

- 71,000 to >103,000 truck trips per year
- Up to 284 truck trips per day, or more
- Industrial operations up to 250 or 365 days a year

It is critical that the Planning Board places some limits on this, setting strong and comprehensive conditions on truck and barge traffic to protect public safety, environmental health, and Hudson's future. The community deserves a waterfront that is safe, clean, vibrant — and truly public.

As a Stockport resident with a Hudson zip code who loves Hudson and proudly considers it my home, I beg of you to take the appropriate action.

Best,

Stephanie Fleischmann