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To members of Toronto City Council

My name is Jared Kolb and I am Executive Director of Cycle Toronto, a diverse member-supported cycling advocacy organization that advocates for a healthy, safe, cycling-friendly city for all. We currently represent over 2,700 Torontonians.

I am writing on behalf of Cycle Toronto to express my support of the ceremonial naming of the Sherbourne St cycle tracks after Alan Milliken Heisey. The Sherbourne St cycle tracks are a first for the City of Toronto and represent the beginning of the movement towards physically separated bicycle lanes in Toronto.

Alan has ridden a bicycle in Toronto for decades and has long been an advocate for safer cycling infrastructure. Alan deserves to be recognized for his role in shaping the proposal for a network of physically separated bike lanes in the downtown core beginning with the Sherbourne St cycle tracks. He energized the discussion among bicycle advocates leading to Cycle Toronto to adopt the downtown network of separated bicycle lanes as an organizational priority. His tact and determination were essential ingredients in generating the political support for the creation of the Sherbourne St cycle tracks.

In addition to being a long-time cycling advocate, Alan has also served as the Chair of the Toronto Police Services Board, Chair of the Toronto Parking Authority and currently serves as a Board Member of the Toronto Transit Commission.

The Sherbourne St cycle tracks are not perfect, but they represent the beginning of a shift towards multi-modal transportation planning and implementation that will move Toronto towards a more healthy, happy and liveable city.

It is with pleasure that I write on behalf of Cycle Toronto to support of the ceremonial naming of the Sherbourne St cycle tracks after Alan.

Sincerely,



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