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Ms. Jennifer Rieger, Chair and members of the Toronto Preservation Board:

Toronto Preservation Board: Agenda May 28, 2015 PB5.10 Intention to Designate under Part IV, Section 29, of the Ontario Heritage Act: 1299 Don Mills Road (George Gray House), Ward 34

The North York Historical Society supports the recommendation to designate the above named property. 1299 Don Mills Road (Concession 3 East, Lot 8), was constructed circa 1897. This tall red brick house characterizes the closing decades of the 19th century and the additions added, are of the period that do not detract from the house. It was probably built by George Gray, a descendant of the Gray milling family, whose houses were further east on the Donalda Golf Course.

Records of the North York Historical Society support the Statement of Significance and Heritage Attributes in the agenda documentation. In addition we endorse the Evaluation Check List under the *Ontario Heritage Act.*

We recognise that this is a "development" site and feel strongly that designating this significant heritage property will permit Heritage Preservation Services to be included in the future plans of this heritage property.

Respectfully,

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C: Geoff Kettel, Chair, North York Community Preservation Panel Councillor Denzil Minnan-Wong, Ward 34