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To: Toronto and East York Community Council

Re: Request to Evaluate 1 Bloor Street West for Designation Under Part IV of the Ontario Heritage Act

The building at 1 Bloor Street is an architecturally significant structure but is not currently protected by heritage designation. The building is clearly a surviving part of the early neighbourhood development of this area and contributes to the architectural and cultural fabric of the area. An application for demolition has been submitted to Toronto Building despite no accompanying redevelopment application having been submitted, and no construction permit having been issued.

In order to preserve the building as an important heritage resource, I am requesting City staff undertake a process to review it for designation under Part IV of the Ontario Heritage Act.

Recommendation:

1. Direct the Director, Urban Design, to report back to Toronto and East York Community Council on the possibility of designating the building at 1 Bloor Street West under Part IV of the Ontario Heritage Act.

Thank you for your consideration.

Respectfully submitted,

Councillor Kristyn Wong-Tam Ward 27 Toronto Centre-Rosedale