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Executive Committee  
c/o Cathrine Regan  
12<sup>th</sup> Floor, West Tower, City Hall  
100 Queen Street West  
Toronto ON M5H 2N2

Re: Ex 27.8 The First Parliament Site and Expropriation of City-Owned Lands by Metrolinx for Transit Purposes

Dear Mayor Tory and Members of the Executive Committee:

As the negotiations between the city and province continue, I suggest that the city ensure the temporary Green Parking Lot (Berkeley Street) remain in its entirety, a park. It is critical that this space remain public and connects to Parliament Field. The "First Parliament Site" was assembled by the city and the province over many years to provide public space and public amenities and it will be important to ensure that this basic objective is never forgotten.

The city needs to ensure two things:

1. That the Province allocates 'enough' publicly accessible space on the site.
2. That any compensation received by the city is spent on achieving the City's initial aims and priority public components for the site.

Sincerely,

Suzanne Kavanagh  
Chair Development Committee

cc. SLNA Board of Directors  
Councillor Wong-Tam