January 30, 2012

Mayor Rob Ford
and
Members of Toronto City Council
Toronto City Hall
100 Queen Street West
Toronto, ON M5H 2N2

Dear Mayor Ford and Members of Toronto City Council:

City Council, February 6, 2012, NY 12.20: Intention to Designate under Part IV, Section 29 of the Ontario Heritage Act, 720 Millwood Road (Ward 26)

On behalf of the Board of Directors of the North York Historical Society, I write in support of the Intention to Designate this property, also known as 2 Donegal Drive, listed on the City of Toronto’s Inventory of Heritage Properties, (published by Culture Division, 2001).

We were dismayed that Toronto Preservation Board’s recommendation, at the end of last year, was subsequently defeated by only one vote at the North York Community Council. We hope this item will receive serious consideration at Toronto City Council.

The home of Agnes Macphail undoubtedly deserves recognition and the property meets the criteria of the OHA and though it is perhaps not under immediate threat of development, recognizing its heritage value formally enhances the profile of the area and the City.

We refer to Lorna Krawchuk’s (Chair, Agnes Macphail Recognition Committee) letter of January 24th which we fully endorse.

Respectfully,

Geoffrey E. Geduld
President

C: Lorna Krawchuk, Chair Agnes Macphail Recognition Committee
Geoff Kettel, Chair, North York Community Preservation Panel