June 4, 2013

Chair & Members
Committee of Adjustment
North York Civic Centre
5100 Yonge Street
Toronto ON M2N 5V7

RE:  File Number: B018/13NY, A259/13NY, A260/13NY (643 Glencairn Avenue)

Dear Chair and Committee Members,

As the local Councillor for the area, I am writing in objection to an application for property severance at 643 Glencairn Avenue.

Given the excessive number of variances requested for the proposed new dwellings, irregular configurations that in some instances reduce setbacks by three times the minimum requirement, and sizeable rear yard deck projections that would impose onto abutting residences, I believe, along with residents who have contacted my office, that approval of this application would set a negative precedent for the area.

The property severance requested would create two sizeable homes with significantly reduced side yard setbacks, reduce lot frontages to almost half the minimum requirement, and set a precedent to increase the allowable building height for homes in the area. These variances if granted would lead to the construction of two imposing structures onto neighbouring residences.

Moreover, I have been alerted by family members that the homeowners directly behind 643 Glencairn Ave. who would be most affected by the new double yard abutting their single family dwelling are out of town and unable to attend these proceedings to voice their objection.

For these reasons, I do not support this application for property severance and ask for your support in protecting area residents who will be negatively impacted by this development.

Thank you for your consideration of my comments.

Sincerely,

Josh Colle
Councillor
Ward 15, Eglinton-Lawrence
W15\Shared\Correspondence\ColA Letters, 643 Glencairn Ave.