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City Clerk's Office Planning and Growth Management Committee **Toronto City Hall** 100 Queen Street West 10<sup>th</sup> Floor, West Tower Toronto, ON, M5H 2N2

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Attention:

Ms. Nancy Martins, Administrator.

Planning and Growth Management Committee

Dear Chair and Members,

Re: PG 28.2 Planning for a Strong and Diverse Economy: Official Plan/Municipal Comprehensive Reviews - Proposed Economic Health Policies and Proposed Policies and Designations for Employment Lands

I am pleased to have the Ukrainian National Federation of Canada (Toronto Branch) ("UNF") located within my ward.

I write this letter in strong support of UNF's proposal to redevelop their lands being located at 145 Evans Avenue and 811 Islington Avenue to include residential uses in addition, to the retention and expansion of the office and cultural uses which serve the community.

The UNF has been in existence for over 80 years and has demonstrated an ability to respond to the needs of its community. During this time, the UNF lands have served as an important focal point for the Ukrainian community.

At this important time during the review of the City of Toronto's Official Plan, I am pleased to support the proposal to permit residential uses on a significant portion of the lands owned by UNF. Shifting the boundary line on the 145 Evans site will allow for a functional residential development while maintaining a balance of employment lands.

I believe the proposed use fits into the community and is an appropriate designation for the Official Plan. Accordingly, I strongly urge members of this Committee to support the request being made and support UNF in their endeavors.

Sincerely,

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