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Public Works and Infrastructure Committee
10th Floor, West Tower, City Hall
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Dear Mr Chair and Committee members,

RE: Richmond-Adelaide Cycle Track Planning and Design Study; PW31.7

Our firm participated in the consultation process that led to the above referenced resolution.

We are a boutique law firm of five lawyers and two support staff that specializes in administrative, environmental, municipal and land use planning law. Some of our staff and lawyers use bicycles to get to work, meet clients and attend hearings. Our view is that safe conditions for bicycle users means a safer work environment for our lawyers and staff.

While we regret that staff has not recommended extending the pilot project further East than York Street (a logical connection would at least have been to Bay Street's priority lane) we are pleased to support the resolution as proposed.

We urge you to pass this resolution and impress on council the importance of separating vehicle and bicycle traffic downtown. The advantages of the wide-spread and safe use of bicycles is becoming undeniable as the world's leading cities embrace active transport that benefits people's health, the economy and the environment. Please do not let Toronto fall behind.

Yours truly,
ERIC K. GILLESPIE
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