Chair and Members Toronto East York Community Council

Re: Heritage Designation of Hotel Waverly, 484 Spadina Ave. - Item: TE34.44 to be considered Tuesday, 12 August, 2014

As former Chair of the Conservation Review Board of Ontario and as a member of the President’s Council of the Architectural Conservancy of Ontario, I write in support of the submission by Richard Longley on behalf of the ACO.

The Hotel Waverly, in its particular context, is significant both for historical and architectural reasons. It lends itself, particularly the facade, to adaptive re-use with an addition, along with the Silver Dollar Room. There is no reason why the facade of the hotel could not be restored, in accord with the archival photographs. It is a classical and attractive architectural expression and is part of the heritage context of this most significant Heritage Conservation District.

Thank you for your consideration.

Yours truly,

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