

MM3.6.2

Annex Residents' Association

February 5, 2014

The City Clerk,
City Council
City Hall,
100 Queen Street West,
Toronto, ON
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Dear Ms. Watkiss:

Re: Catching Up with the Past: Improving the City's Heritage Preservation Framework Motion 2015.MM3.6

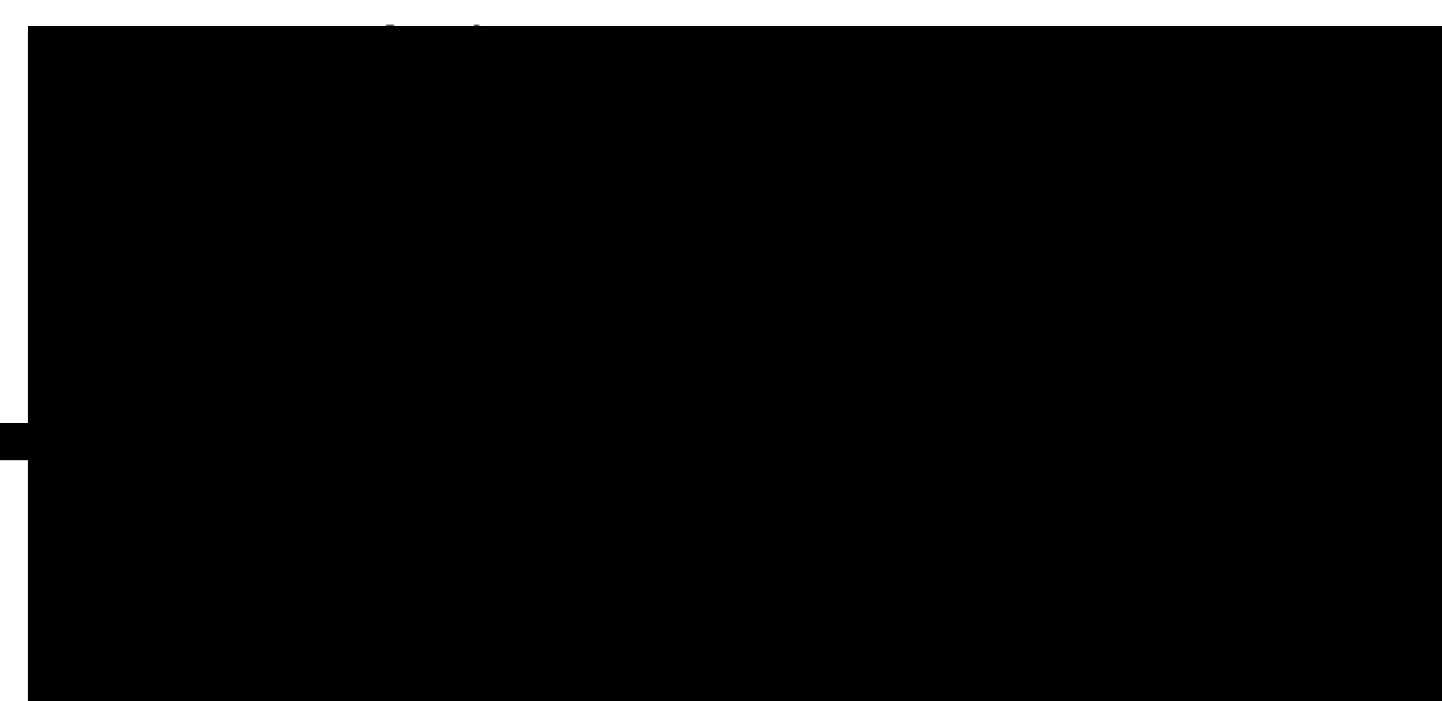
On behalf of the Annex Residents Association, I wish to express our full support for this motion, which will be presented at City Council on February 9, 2015.

To say the process for listing and designation is slow to the detriment of our built heritage is an understatement. For example, Council approved a study of the West Annex to complement the East Annex Conservation District in 2005. We are now hoping to be one of the 10 priority areas to have their studies begin over the next three years. We have worked on final approval of the Madison Avenue study since 2008. In the meantime we have watched heritage structures, in the Annex and nearby, some designed by celebrated architects, be demolished or modified to the point where their heritage value is lost with no means to protect them.

This motion could be an important first step to make protection of our built heritage more effective.

Yours sincerely,

Sandra Shaul,
Chair, Heritage Committee
Annex Residents Association



cc: Councillor Matlow