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Bloor West Village Residents Association 501 Windermere Avenue, Toronto, ON. M6S 3L5

On behalf of Bloor West Village Residents Association (BWVRA) Executive, I am writing regarding the discussion of the Mid-Rise Guidelines Review report scheduled for Thursday, October 8th by the Planning and Growth Committee.

We would like to commend Ms Lorna Day and the project team for the extensive work that went into the review and, further, we would like to indicate that we support many of the proposed recommendations to improve the guidelines to ensure sensible development and intensification throughout the city.

Notwithstanding that fact, given the critical importance of the Mid-Rise Guidelines, we agree with CORRA's request for deferring consideration of the report until the November P&G meeting to allow for thorough and adequate review of the recommendations by concerned community groups.

In the event that there is no such deferral granted, we would like to go on record as strongly supporting the call for a maximum height-to-street-width ratio of 0.8:1 in all Character Areas, regardless of street width, rather than the existing ratio of 1:1, as the latter allows for development that is completely outof-scale with its surroundings in many contexts such as Bloor West Village.

Thank you for your consideration in this important matter.

Jay Zimmerman, Member of the Executive Committee, BWVRA.

cc. Jamie Isbister, Chair, BWVRA.