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Toronto City Council

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Mayor and Members of Toronto City Council:

NY16.49 Authorization to Study Lawrence Park West as a Potential HCD

We write in support of the proposed study of Lawrence Park West as a potential Heritage Conservation District (HCD).

The immediate benefit of HCD designation is a planning process that respects a community's history and identity. The study will begin the process of Lawrence Park West area's distinctiveness and thus recognizing and commemorating its values within an area. This is a planned garden suburb where houses and gardens were designed to fit into the surroundings, and local industry was discouraged.

Currently a great deal of Lawrence Park has become a development "site" one lot at a time. An HCD would allow for strategic planning and we would hope for preservation of a unique part of the City of Toronto.

Since the establishment of the North York Historical Society in 1960, we have worked tirelessly to support the preservation of heritage in the North York Community. We applaud the efforts of the Lawrence Park Heritage Committee and the North York Community Preservation Panel and urge Council to authorize this study.

Respectfully,

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President

C: Councillor Jaye Robinson, Ward 25, Don Valley West  
North York Community Preservation Panel  
Lawrence Park Heritage Committee