

LETTER TO TORONTO CITY COUNCIL

April 7, 2014

To Whom It May Concern:

RE: St Stevens Court Apartments and 291 The Kingsway rezoning and demolition application

Please consider this letter of support for the applications to demolish and rebuild the rental housing units, and the rezoning of the lands at the municipal address of 291 The Kingsway and the St Stevens Court apartments.

I am a tenant and reside in this apartment neighbourhood. I support the demolition application on the conditions that include, but are not limited to;

- the right of current tenants return to the new rental units of the same or similar size
- rents be protected for a 10-year period with no vacancy decontrol allowed for that period
- tenants are offered relocation allowance to offset the cost of moving
- the landlord maintain a registry of tenants who have the right to return to completed new units

I have viewed the drawings and application designs of the development, as well as an artist's renderings of the rental apartment units (attached). I understand that the rezoning of the property will make renewing rental housing accommodation on the site financially feasible.

The renewal of this property will be a benefit for those of us who live here, as well as the surrounding community. Tenants like me deserve to have quality living accommodation at affordable rents, with units that have updated and modern amenities.

The St Stevens Court buildings are at the end of their useful life, with outdated kitchen and bathroom fixtures, lack of elevators, and lacking other amenities. It is time for renewal.

The exterior of the new buildings will be a more attractive and welcome addition to our beautiful neighbourhood, the neighbourhood we call home. I, and many other tenants, support this redevelopment for all the above-noted reasons.

Thank you for your consideration in advance.

Sincerely,

