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RE: PB17.8 Inclusion on the City of Toronto's Heritage Register – 2490 Yonge Street and 2506 Yonge Street (Ward 16)

Dear Chair Jennifer Rieger,

The North York Community Preservation Panel (NYCPP) supports the Staff Report recommending that City Council include the property at 2490 Yonge Street and a portion of the property at 2506 Yonge Street (including entrance address 2510 Yonge Street) on the City of Toronto's Heritage Register.

The Capitol Theatre Building (now the Capitol Event Theatre) has been a local North Toronto landmark for almost one hundred years. It should be noted that the Capitol Theatre Building has been identified as a cultural heritage resource in a Cultural Heritage Resource Assessment being undertaken as part of the Built Form study within the current Midtown in Focus Study area.

The building has value for its connection to the notable Toronto architect Murray Brown who designed several local theatres, the landmark former Postal Station K just south on Yonge Street and several residences in nearby Lawrence Park. With its many high-quality architectural features and its association with development of the main street character of this part of Yonge Street, the Capitol Theatre Building is a worthy candidate for inclusion on the City's Heritage Register.

Thank you for your attention to our views.

Sincerely,

Geoff Kettel Chair, NYCPP