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Re: Toronto Preservation Board PB 19.9

Dear Ms. Bettencourt:

The St. Lawrence Neighbourhood Association is an incorporated not-for-profit and is comprised of many multi-unit residential buildings. The boundary is Yonge Street to Queen Street East, south on Parliament and west along the rail corridor. This neighbourhood started its Heritage Conversation District process in 2005. The Plan for the first part of our Study area was approved by Council at the end of 2015, it is now under appeal at the OMB.

This fall we were also asked to participate in a study involving the Distillery District, immediately to the east of St. Lawrence. The SLNA supports this Study and supports that it move forward to the Plan stage of the process.

Heritage Conservation Districts have been created across the Province, in small communities, large cities and neighbourhoods within cities. HCDs are in place to protect the special character of an area as well as be used as a guide future changes. These tools are effective not only for historic conservation but to encourage good urban design and sound planning. We urge the TPB to approve the Distillery District HCD Study and urge you to press for a speedy move to the Plan phase of this process.

Suzanne Kavanagh  
President

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Councillor Pam McConnell  
SLNA Board of Directors