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Toronto and East York Community Council
c/o City Clerk's Office
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Attention: Ms. Ellen Devlin, Committee Administrator

Dear Councillor Layton and Members of Toronto and East York Community Council:

**RE: Item No. TE18.9 - Request for Direction Report
- 18 Brownlow Avenue, 174-200 Soudan Avenue and 71-73 Redpath Avenue**

Please be advised that we are the solicitors for the applicants with respect to the above-noted matter.

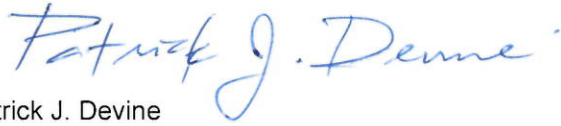
We have reviewed the Request for Direction Report prepared by City staff, dated August 10th, 2016. Obviously, our clients are disappointed with the recommendations of City staff and hereby register their formal objection to the adoption of those recommendations.

Notwithstanding extensive dialogue with area residents, including the South Eglinton Residents and Ratepayers Association, there appears to be no desire on the part of either City Planning staff or Councillor Matlow to try to come to a consensus with respect to the proposed redevelopment of these properties. For that reason, it has been necessary for us to appeal the matter to the Ontario Municipal Board. Regrettably, it appears that this is the only forum within which the land use planning issues regarding these properties will be properly evaluated.

Nonetheless, notwithstanding the Ontario Municipal Board appeal, our clients remain open to continuing dialogue with area residents, City Planning staff and the Ward Councillor, to attempt to resolve this matter

without the need for a full OMB hearing. Nevertheless, if a full OMB hearing is indeed required, then our clients are fully prepared to proceed on that basis.

Yours very truly,
Devine Park LLP



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cc: 18 Brownlow Holdings Ltd. *et al.*