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RE: PG22.5 - Inclusion on the City of Toronto’s Heritage Register – Midtown in Focus - Phase 1: Main Street Properties

South Eglinton Ratepayers’ and Residents' Association is bounded by Yonge Street, Eglinton Avenue, Bayview Avenue and Merton Street. We represent the largest portion of the population and geographical area of the Midtown in Focus study.

I write to you as Chair of the Heritage Group with SERRA. A dozen SERRA members have participated in Midtown in Focus meetings and workshops over the last two years. SERRA is pleased with the size and scope of the Heritage Preservation Services' study to preserve the character of our Midtown Main Streets.

The list of inclusion has many addresses on Yonge St, Mount Pleasant Rd, and Bayview Ave. Our community values and enjoys a unique village atmosphere that stems from the early 20th century buildings on these Main Streets. A large portion of the addresses in SERRA represent a history of the Glebe Manor Estates that dates back to 1911.

Unfortunately, many potential heritage sites have already been demolished without notice to Council members or the community. We understand that a heritage listing is not a full designation; however, a listing status would give interested parties 60 days to assess and take appropriate action.

SERRA asks that you support the inclusion of the Midtown in Focus listings to the City of Toronto’s Heritage Registry.
Sincerely Yours,

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