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Attention: Lourdes Bettencourt

RE: PB25.8 Inclusion on the City of Toronto's Heritage Register - Midtown in Focus -  
Phase 01: Main Street Properties (Ward 16, 22, 25, 26)

Dear Chair Jennifer Rieger, and Members of the Toronto Preservation Board

This is to express our strong support for the listing of the 258 properties with potential cultural heritage value or interest located on main streets (Yonge, Mount Pleasant, Bayview, and Eglinton) in the Yonge Eglinton Growth Centre, on the City of Toronto Heritage Register.

The “main street” commercial areas in the Yonge Eglinton Growth Centre are under enormous pressure for re-development. Listing in this manner will ensure that the City will be able to prevent demolition without prior assessment of the cultural heritage values of the property, making decision as to whether or not to designate the property under the Ontario Heritage Act.

The scope of the work was limited to areas designated in the Official Plan as Apartment Neighbourhoods and Mixed Use Areas. As such we are pleased that the east side of Bayview Avenue was included despite it technically being outside the boundaries of the Growth Centre. It does not include properties in areas designated Neighbourhoods under the Official Plan such as the Talbot quadrplexes on the east side of Bayview north of Parkhurst Boulevard, which are urgently in need of protection. We look forward to other block listings which may assist the City to protect cultural heritage assets.

Respectfully submitted,

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c.c. Councillor Jon Burnside  
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