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Attention: Marilyn Toft
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RE: TE34.44 - 5, 7 and 9 Dale Avenue - Official Plan Amendment and Zoning Amendment Applications - Request for Direction Report (Ward 27) and TE34.45 - Demolition of Three Heritage Properties in the South Rosedale Heritage Conservation District - 5, 7, and 9 Dale Avenue (Ward 27)

Dear Mayor Tory and Members of City Council,

This is to request that you approve the recommendation of the Toronto Preservation Board that City Council refuse demolition permits for the three properties in the South Rosedale Heritage Conservation District (HCD). The Toronto and East York Community Council forwarded these reports to City Council without recommendation.

The report from the Director, Urban Design, dated June 13, 2018, concludes that the proposal to demolish the properties at 5, 7, and 9 Dale Avenue and replace them with a new 4-storey apartment building is not consistent with the South Rosedale HCD Guidelines. We note that reach of the properties is heritage rated (indeed the heritage staff report recommends elevating the rating for 7 Dale Avenue) and to demolish them would set a disturbing precedent for all HCDs in Toronto.

We also note the support for this recommendation from the local residents associations who wish to maintain the integrity of the South Rosedale Heritage Conservation District.

Respectfully submitted,

Yours truly,

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