Please find attached our letter in support of Forestry's recommendation for refusal of the application to remove a private tree on this property.

Sincerely,
Linda McCarthy
Vice-President
To: North York Community Council  nycc@toronto.ca
Cc: Councillor Carmichael Greb  councillor_carmichaelgreb@toronto.ca

Date: December 28, 2017

Subject: NY27.32 Application to Remove a Private Tree – 367 Joicey Boulevard

On behalf of the Lytton Park Residents’ Organization I write to urge you to REFUSE the application to remove the private tree at 367 Joicey Blvd. This is in support of our professional forestry staff who have made a site visit, examined the tree, found it to be healthy and maintainable and recommended refusal of the application. We ask that you adopt the recommendation of the General Manager of Parks, Forestry and Recreation as follows:

1. City Council deny the request for a permit to remove one (1) privately-owned tree located at 367 Joicey Blvd.

Lytton Park is undergoing significant redevelopment. At the same time we are experiencing major basement flooding; overwhelmed sewers, air pollution and a general loss of our urban forest due to climate change, ice storms etc. Trees work hard. They absorb water, clean the air, provide shade, reduce erosion, flooding and wind tunnels, decrease heating and cooling costs and increase property values. One should not be able to destroy a tree because it has become inconvenient. It should only be removed if it’s condition becomes poor and unsafe. Any new backyard structures, including a swimming pool, should be configured in a manner to permit the tree to remain.

Thank you for taking the above into consideration when making your decision.

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