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Mayor John Tory and Members of Executive Council
Toronto City Council
100 Queen St. W.
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Dear Mayor Tory and Members of Executive:

Re: EX6.9 Danforth Garage

During the course of the Master Plan process a strong desire to explore opportunities for possible interim community uses within the Danforth Garage emerged. There are many examples of highly successful repurposed industrial spaces including the Wychwood Barns and the Evergreen Brickworks.

With a view to finding an affordable path forward we are asking the Executive to amend Recommendation #5 as follows:

5. City Council request the Board of Directors of CreateTO to direct the Chief Executive Officer, CreateTO to further investigate the viable options for a range of interim uses for the Danforth Garage facility, including more modest approaches with costs below the estimates provided in this report, and that a budget for capital and operating expenses be identified for consideration as part of the City's 2020 Capital Budget Plan deliberations.

Finding a way to bring the Danforth Garage to life and making it a vital part of the community from the outset will contribute significantly to its success in the long term.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,