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### Via Email

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**Attention: Lourdes Bettencourt, Secretariat (lbetten2@toronto.ca)**

Dear Sirs/Mesdames:

**Re: PB2.8 - Inclusion on the City of Toronto's Heritage Register and Intention to Designate under Part IV, Section 29 of the *Ontario Heritage Act* 64 Wellesley Street East**

We are solicitors for the owner of the property known municipally as 64 Wellesley Street East (the "**Property**"). Our client received **no notice** that this item would be scheduled before the Toronto Preservation Board (the "**TPB**") until the afternoon of January 14, 2019, when we discovered a notice of pending report on the agenda regarding the Property. As of the transmission of this letter to the TPB, the report was still not available for review.

We are writing to request a deferral of this item. It is manifestly unfair for this matter to proceed on January 21<sup>st</sup>, while additional time may enable productive dialogue to occur. There is no prejudice in such a deferral because the existing building contains residential rental units so demolition cannot occur without a permit from the City of Toronto. Further, although the Property is included as part of our client's appeal of its development application, the hearing for this appeal is not scheduled until May 4, 2020.

As part of this deferral request, we would also ask the TPB to encourage heritage staff to meet with the landowner to discuss the pending staff report prior to the matter returning to the TPB. On February 20, 2018, our client filed a resubmission regarding the above-noted development application, which resubmission included a 148 page Heritage Impact Assessment, including an appended typology study. Our client has since made repeated requests to meet with City staff and received no response or comments.

To date, the only indication of potential designation was a brief statement in the Directions Report dated April 24, 2018, which indicated that City staff noted an opinion that further research is required "to determine the heritage value of the existing buildings on the development

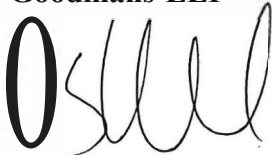
site which may warrant designation". Beyond this Directions Report, no other comments have been provided by City staff to our client or its consultants. Instead, our client learned of the proposed designation through our random review of the posted agenda for the upcoming meeting of the Toronto Preservation Board.

Even if City staff are not prepared to meet to discuss this matter, our client cannot prepare a presentation to the Toronto Preservation Board without a meaningful opportunity to review the pending staff report.

Please also accept this letter as our request to be added to the notice list regarding this matter.

Yours truly,

**Goodmans LLP**

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'D. Bronskill', written over a large, stylized letter 'O'.

David Bronskill

DJB/

cc: Client

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