

PETITION TO THE MAYOR AND COUNCILLORS

For Climate Emergency Funding in the 2020 Budget

WHEREAS the City has declared a Climate Emergency to respond to the urgent crisis on climate we need to reduce emissions 7.6% per year each year this decade. To do this we need to shift car ridership to increased transit use, walking and cycling. As 52% of emissions are from buildings, we need to ramp up the housing retrofit program (HELP).

WE THE UNDERSIGNED Toronto residents call upon Mayor Tory and City Councillors to support the implementation of the Climate Emergency Declaration of October 2019 with the following specific actions in the 2020 budget:

- 1) A Vehicle Registration Tax (VRT)
- 2) A Commercial Parking Levy
- 3) Increased funding for Retrofit program (HELP)
- 4) Increased funding for transit improvements and to keep transit affordable