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## MIDTOWN RAVINES GROUP

A consortium of residents associations working for better ecological balance and improved park use in ravines in Midtown Toronto.

October 16, 2020

Mayor John Tory and Members City Executive Committee City Hall, Toronto

Re: Item 18.12: Manual for Stewardship

Dear Mayor Tory, Councillors,

We are writing in support of Councillor Pasternak's request that City Parks, Forestry, and Recreation review the draft Stewardship Manual prepared by students in the University of Toronto's Forestry Program and the Toronto Ravines Revitalization Science consortium.

The draft Manual provides an excellent model for City of Toronto ravine stewardship programs and will, we hope, lead to an effective City program for involving citizens in private/public ravine stewardship initiatives. We are grateful to Councillor Pasternak for bringing this to the Executive Committee and urge that you support his motion.

Yours truly,

John Bossons, Co-chair

Tim Ross, Co-chair

cc: Councillor Mike Layton Councillor Josh Matlow Councillor Jaye Robinson Councillor Mike Colle

The Midtown Ravines Group is an incorporated non-profit organization formed by seven Residents Associations in Midtown Toronto. The member associations are the ABC Residents Association, the Bloor East Neighborhood Association, the Deer Park Residents Group, the Moore Park Residents Association, the North and South Rosedale Residents Associations, and the Summerhill Residents Association.