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Dear Board Members:

**Re: 80-84 Queens Park  
Intention to Designate under Part IV, Section 29 of the Ontario Heritage Act,  
Alterations to a Heritage Property and Authority to Enter into a Heritage Easement  
Agreement  
Meeting of August September 29, 2020, Item No. PB17.4**

We are the solicitors for The Governing Council of the University of Toronto (the "University"), the owner of 80 and 84 Queen's Park (the "Properties"), which are being brought forward for designation under Part IV, Section 29 of the *Ontario Heritage Act*. The University has also proposed alterations to the Properties, in connection with a Zoning Amendment Application by the University to permit the construction of a new 9-storey institutional building known as the University's Centre for Civilizations, Cultures and Cities at 78-90 Queen's Park (the "CCC").

We are writing to advise that Ms. Elizabeth Sisam, a member of the Toronto Preservation Board, has a conflict of interest in respect of the proposed designation and alterations of the Properties.

As the Director of The Annex Residents' Association, Ms. Sisam has strongly (and publicly) opposed the University's proposed plans for the development of the CCC. While we anticipate that Ms. Sisam will voluntarily recuse herself from this matter, out of an abundance of caution, we are writing to request that Ms. Sisam be required to recuse herself from this matter on the basis that a conflict of interest exists.

Yours truly,

Cassels Brock & Blackwell LLP

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Signe Leisk

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