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Ms. Sandra Shaul, Chair
Toronto Preservation Board
2nd floor, West Tower, Toronto City Hall
100 Queen Street West
Toronto, Ontario
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Dear Ms. Shaul and Board Members,

I write to convey the opinion of the Ossington Community Association (OCA), by acclamation of its Executive Board, in regard to agenda item number PB19.8, the proposal for Inclusion on the City of Toronto's Heritage Register—Properties within the West Queen West and Parkdale Main Street Areas.

The OCA enthusiastically **supports** the November 9, 2020 Report from the Senior Manager, Heritage Planning, Urban Design, City Planning, in regard to this matter; and urges the Toronto Preservation Board to adopt the Report.

Preservation of the streetscape of West Queen West has long been a priority interest of the OCA. The Association and its members have been closely involved in various activities on behalf of this important aspect of Toronto's cultural heritage, including:

- Consulting with and encouraging then-local Councillor Mike Layton on behalf of the direction to City Planning to undertake the Planning Study and Heritage Conservation District associated with this matter;
- Attending and contributing to the dozen or so meetings of the two community workgroups formed to consult on the Planning Study and HCD, as well as various other public meetings and walkarounds;
- Collaborating with the West Side Community Council to promote public awareness of the Planning Study and HCD.

The OCA is therefore very pleased that Heritage Planning has prepared this Report, and is highly grateful for the care and consideration given to the task; and, to reiterate, the OCA stands in enthusiastic support for the adoption of the Report by the Toronto Preservation Board.

Yours in community,

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