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To:

Ana Bailão (Chair) and Committee Members
Planning and Housing Committee
c/o Nancy Martins
10th floor, West Tower, City Hall
100 Queen Street West
Toronto, ON M5H 2N2

Via Email to: phc@toronto.ca

Re: Agenda Item PH19.4: Expanding Housing Options in Neighbourhoods - Garden Suites Review

Dear Chair Bailão and Committee Members,

I am a practicing land use planner in the City of Toronto and have worked on (and working on) a number of “missing-middle” proposals that are in pre-design and active Committee of Adjustment Application stages. Any efforts by City Planning Staff to advance as-of-right permissions for “missing-middle” housing types is entirely welcome, in my view, and cannot happen fast enough.

I have spoken with Staff on the Garden Suites component of EHON and I am excited at the prospect of offering this as a viable option for the gentle intensification of my client’s properties, which in the long view, will invariably contribute to expanded housing options in the City. It is a win-win for the City in their long term strategic planning and housing goals, and for private landowners in Toronto.

I have offered my assistance to Staff in their consultations with practitioners as part of the Consultation Strategy and look forward to them reaching out to me.

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