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Re : MM31.27 – The Future of Yonge and Eglinton’s Canada Square: Supporting Midtown Residents’ Quality of Life

April 6, 2021

Dear Mayor Tory and City Councillors,

The ABC Residents Association is a volunteer organization committed to enhancing the quality of life in our neighbourhood through active participation in municipal issues. Originally established in 1957, we serve the residents, including condo and apartment residents, living in Toronto’s Yorkville / North Midtown community between Yonge Street west to Avenue Road and Bloor Street north to the CPR tracks.

This is to express our strong support for Councillor Matlow’s Motion to be considered by City Council at its meeting of April 7, 2021. We much appreciate the support from Councillors Robinson, Colle and Wong-Tam.

We support the motion MM31.27 for a request of a comprehensive planning evaluation of the Canada Square site to reflect what midtown and the City need at this important location and that it should include consideration of community services such as schools, affordable housing, built form, parks and open spaces, cultural space, economic development, public art, and transit infrastructure.

The Canada Square lands are City owned and as such development should be held to a higher level of service to community needs and include the public in the decisions about its future in a fully transparent and open decision-making process. The timeline to completion of the study should respect the complexity of the Canada Square site.

Sincerely,

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ABCRA Co-Chairs

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