NORTH YORK COMMUNITY PRESERVATION PANEL

June 11, 2021

Toronto Preservation Board c/o City Clerks Office City Hall, 100 Queen Street West Toronto, ON M5H 2N2

RE: **PB25.1** Inclusion on the City of Toronto's Heritage Register – 55 St Edmunds Drive

Dear Madame Chair and members:

I would like to express the support of the North York Community Preservation Panel for the inclusion of 55 St Edmunds Drive on the City of Toronto's Heritage Register for its cultural heritage value.

The subject property is prominently located at the north-east corner of St Edmunds Drive and Lympstone Avenue and is clearly visible to those entering Lawrence Park from Yonge Street. The property is within the proposed Lawrence Park West Heritage Conservation District, a study of which was approved by City Council in 2016. It is also described in the *Historical Walking Tour of Lawrence Park* booklet which was published by the Toronto Public Library Board in 2007. In 1982, it was documented by the Toronto Historical Board as being of historical significance.

The house was built in 1926 to the plans of architect W. Breden Galbraith (1885-1937) who designed a numbers of "substantial private houses" in Lawrence Park, Moore Park, Rosedale and Lytton Park. This house was featured as plan no. 1601 in his 1930 publication *A Canadian Home Plan Book.*

The Panel strongly supports the inclusion of this significant property on the Heritage Register.

Yours truly,

Alex. M. Grenzebach

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