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Toronto and East York Community Council City Hall, Committee Room 1 100 Queen Street West Toronto ON M5H 2N2

Dear Chair and Council Members,

RE: Improvement of Pedestrian Cross Time at Parliament Street and Shuter Street

A petition was submitted to the City of Toronto with over 100 signatures expressing concern for the safety of pedestrians at this intersection. The petition requests the improvement of cross time on the pedestrian countdown signals at Parliament Street and Shuter Street.

The current default walk speed at this intersection is 1.0 m/s. Given that this intersection is used by many older pedestrians, there is a need to provide more crossing time in the north-south and east-west directions by reducing the default walk speed to 0.9 m/s.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

It is recommended that:

- 1. The Toronto and East York Community Council direct staff to provide more crossing time in the north-south and east-west directions at the Shuter and Parliament street intersection by reducing the default walk speed to 0.9 m/s.
- The Toronto and East York Community Council direct the General Manager, Transportation Services, to reduce the default walk speed as outlined in Recommendation 1 above, as soon as possible.

Respectfully submitted,

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