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Your Worship and Members of Council:

**RE: 169 The Donway West
Request for Directions Regarding Ontario Land Tribunal Appeal
Agenda Item CC41.12**

We are counsel for Don Mills Residents Inc (“DMRI”). This letter is submitted in relation to Item CC41.12 on City Council’s agenda for its meeting on March 9th, 2022.

DMRI understands that, as part of its consideration of Agenda Item CC41.12, Council will be considering a proposal that includes (among other things) the construction of 19,000 square feet of community space at the base of a building at 169 The Donway West. Should Council see fit to accept that proposal, DMRI requests that it consider directing that the community space be named the “David Caplan Centre”.

Mr. David Caplan was a trustee of the North York Board of Education from 1991 to 1997, and represented the Don Mills community as MPP for the ridings of Oriole and Don Valley East from 1997 to 2011. He was a cabinet minister between 2003 and 2009.

Mr. Caplan died tragically at the young age of 54 in 2019, but he is fondly remembered in the community for his dedication to the needs and best interests of the neighbourhood, as well as his commitment to public service more generally. The DMRI believes that naming the proposed community space the “David Caplan Centre” would be a fitting tribute commemorating a pillar of the community and dedicated public servant.

We thank you for your consideration of this matter.

Sincerely,

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