

June 14, 2022

Mayor John Tory and Toronto City Council Toronto City Hall 100 Queen Street West Toronto, ON M5H 2N2

RE: IE30.19 - Revisiting ActiveTO Interventions on Lake Shore Boulevard West

Dear Mayor Tory and Toronto City Council,

The City of Toronto acted boldly during the pandemic to rebalance a fraction of our 5,387 km of streets for people, not cars. CafeTO, RapidTO, and ActiveTO programmes helped reimagine a new vision for Toronto that served the people who live and work in our city.

We urge Council to make ActiveTO Lake Shore West a permanent part of Toronto summers to encourage recreation for all ages and abilities by our waterfront, continue to explore other streets for the ActiveTO programme outside downtown, and to immediately prioritise building more permanent capacity and connections for active transportation along and parallel to the Martin Goodman Trail corridor.

Many of the traffic concerns can be addressed by seriously committing to the TransformTO climate action goals and making 75% of trips less than 5 km walked or biked or by transit by 2030—less than eight years away. As part of our recovery and rebuild, Toronto must continue to create more options for more people to choose not to drive. Toronto must be a city for people to live in, not merely drive through.

Best regards,

Michael Longfield

President, Midweek Cycling Club