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To: Jennifer McKelvie, Chair, City of Toronto Infrastructure and Environment Committee

Att'n: James Nowlan, Executive Director City of Toronto Environment and Energy Office

From: Mount Dennis Community Association, Ward 5 York South Weston Neighbourhood

Climate Action Champion, and Mount Dennis ecoNeighbourhood Initiative Team

Re: Item IE29.10 Accountability and Management Framework for the

**TransformTO Net Zero Strategy** 

Dear Chair McKelvie and IEC Members,

Mount Dennis is a neighbourhood in Ward 5 with a lower income, highly diverse population and where community members are committed to seeing the TransformTO Net Zero strategy implemented.

The City of Toronto has designated Mount Dennis as a pilot Net Zero neighbourhood; City Planning's Mount Dennis Land Use Framework Consulting Study has objectives supporting ecoDistrict and ecoNeighbourhood approaches; the Mount Dennis Economic Development Strategy recommends green innovation and a post secondary satellite campus, which we have supported community engagement to define as an ecoCampus.

We are writing today to support this report and to state our interests in being involved in the Community Advisory Group. As members of the Toronto Community Benefits Network, which is a labour –community partnership organization involved with the City of Toronto in creating sustainable growth policy and equitable prosperity, we also recommend that TCBN be considered for representation on the Joint TransformTO Implementation Committee.

We look forward to working together on climate action!

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