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To the City Clerk:

Please add my comments to the agenda for the January 30, 2023, Infrastructure and Environment Committee meeting on item 2023.IE1.4, Cycling Network Plan: 2021 ActiveTO Cycling Network Expansion Project Updates

I understand that my comments and the personal information in this email will form part of the public record and that my name will be listed as a correspondent on agendas and minutes of City Council or its committees. Also, I understand that agendas and minutes are posted online and my name may be indexed by search engines like Google.

These comments are from the Rosedale-Moore Park Association (Mooredale House).

Thank you.

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November 22, 2022

Re: ActiveTO Midtown Complete Street Pilot

Dear Mayor Tory,

As the Executive Director of the Rosedale Moore Park Association (RMPA, aka “Mooredale”), I am writing on behalf of our over 3,000 members to thank you for establishing the Midtown Yonge Complete Street pilot. Mooredale is an established non-profit organization that welcomes people of all ages to experience a wide range of educational, recreational, social, and cultural activities. Supported by families and volunteers, we build on a rich history of providing programs and services to the community while embracing fresh ideas for the future.

Mooredale values physical activity, artistic and intellectual development, and community building as we bring together residents from Rosedale, Moore Park, Summerhill, and surrounding neighbourhoods too. We are the caretakers of the beautiful and historic Mooredale House at 146 Crescent Road, and our youth programs are also held at nearby schools such as Whitney Jr Public School, Rosedale Jr Public School, and De La Salle College.

The improvements to Yonge Street, including bike lanes, elevated bus platforms, shortened crossing distances, and improved sight lines at intersections, have improved the quality of life for residents in the area and brought new vitality to our core neighbourhoods. Most importantly, our staff and participants are able to travel safely among our facilities by bike, on foot, and by TTC - improving their own health and the health of our environment.

On a personal note, I am the father of two young children. When I drive on Yonge Street, I appreciate the separation between my car and the bike lanes and sidewalks. Just as I want my own children to travel safely in their community, I feel better knowing that the children who live near Yonge Street have safe ways to get to school, sports, and other destinations - without coming into contact with vehicle traffic. I have not noticed any delay in my drives through the pilot area, and I hope the safety improvements will be made permanent and extended to Eglinton - and beyond.

The Rosedale Moore Park Association thanks you again for your leadership in implementing the midtown Yonge Street pilot Complete Street. You have our full support in making the pilot permanent, and if there is any way we can assist you in that effort, please don't hesitate to ask.

Sincerely,

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