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To the City Clerk:

Please add my comments to the agenda for the May 10, 2023 City Council meeting on item 2023.MM6.1, Supporting Small Businesses: Calling on the Federal Government to Forgive a Portion of the Canada Emergency Business Account Loans - by Councillor Paula Fletcher, seconded by Councillor Alejandra Bravo

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Comments:

As a small business who has suffered huge loss due to the covid lockdowns as well as the street closures over Christmas 2021 on Queen West, I simply cannot meet this deadline. As a person with 4 locations and up to 20 employees, I was offered the same subsidy as my neighbours with 1 location and no employees. My rent was increased more than 4 times since the closures (shame on my landlords) and everything else has gone up. I actually would like to see these loans forgiven. We are small business, employing large numbers of people and can't compete with the large companies who, do not have to pay back any of their subsidies and are making large amounts of profit. i.e. Loblaws.

We ask for your help.

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