

NORTH YORK COMMUNITY PRESERVATION PANEL

April 20, 2023

Toronto Preservation Board
c/o City Clerks Office
City Hall, 100 Queen Street West
Toronto, ON M5H 2N2

RE: **PB5.4** 789-793 Don Mills Road - Notice of Intention to Designate a Property under Part IV, Section 29 of the Ontario Heritage Act (Ward 16)

Dear Madame Chair and members:

I would like to express the North York Community Preservation Panel's support of the staff report recommending designation of the property at 789-793 Don Mills Road under Part IV, Section 29 of the Ontario Heritage Act.

The property comprises the Foresters House, a 22-storey office tower complex constructed in the Late Modern style from 1965 to 1967 as the headquarters for the Independent Order of Foresters. It is located in the Flemington Park area which employed many of the design principles embodied in Don Mills (Canada's first planned community) to the north. A number of modernist buildings in the Don Mills / Flemington Park area have been demolished and it is important to preserve this landmark building.

The Panel strongly supports the intention to designate this important property.

Yours truly,

Alex. M. Grenzebach

Interim Chair, North York Community Preservation Panel

CC: Councillor Jon Burnside (Ward 16)