

NORTH TORONTO HISTORICAL SOCIETY
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Toronto City Hall
100 Queen St. W.
Toronto, Ont. M5H 2N2

RE: PH 1.4 Inclusion of the Six Properties in Toronto and East York and North York on the Heritage Register - 29 and 31 Linden Street, 33 Maitland Street, 33 Melrose Avenue (including 31 Melrose Avenue), 822 Richmond Street West and 570 Sherbourne Street

Dear Chair Bradford and Councillors

The North Toronto Historical Society strongly supports the inclusion of 33 Melrose Ave. (including 31 Melrose Avenue) on the Heritage register.

The Dewey Sant Welsh United Church building at 33 Melrose Ave. is a fine example of mid-20th century Modern style. Its manse, 31 Melrose Ave, located on a laneway south of Melrose Avenue, is one of the oldest surviving residential buildings in the Bedford Park area north of Lawrence Avenue. It probably dates to the 1880s and was part of the estate of Alfred St. Germain, for whom the street to the south is named. Our society has included these sites in our walking tours of the area over the last 40 years and also featured them in our walking tour publication "Village of Bedford Park Walk". In addition, the two buildings were included in a project conducted in 1981 by the Northern District Branch of the Toronto Public Library to create a visual record of important buildings in North Toronto. The photographs taken at that time are on TPL's Digital Archive.

Thank you for your support in including this property on the Heritage Register.

Sincerely,

Lynda Moon
President, North Toronto Historical Society