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Planning & Housing Committee
Toronto City Hall
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Dear Members of the Planning and Housing Committee

PH9.14 - Fraternities should not be exempt from the Multi-Tenant Housing Bylaw

The ABC Residents Association is a volunteer organization committed to enhancing the quality of life in our neighbourhood through active participation in municipal issues. We serve the residents living in Toronto's Yorkville / North Midtown community between Yonge Street west to Avenue Road and Bloor Street north to the CPR tracks.

We are writing in support of Councillor Saxe's proposal (December 31, 2023) to repeal the exemption of fraternities and sororities from the Multi-Tenant House Licencing By-law and that the definition of Multi-Tenant House be the original proposal.

When the by-law was proposed, City staff recommended that fraternities and sororities be included to ensure that those who pay to occupy dwelling rooms have a safe, adequate and dignified place to live, that the facility is known to comply with applicable laws, and that an owner and person in charge are clearly identified and accountable for its legal compliance. Inclusion in the by-law ensure that residents of these fraternities have the same protections and support afforded to any other resident of multi-tenant housing.

Sincerely,

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