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July 10, 2024

Councillor Gord Perks and Members of the Planning & Housing Committee, Toronto City Hall, 100 Queen Street West Toronto, ON M5H 2N2

Attention: Nancy Martins, Administrator

Dear Councillor Perks and Committee Members:

Re: PH14.1 - Employment Area Land Use Permissions

We write in support of the recommendations contained in the staff report and commend staff for their work in trying to protect Toronto's employment lands and jobs for Toronto's residents. We request that you recommend to Council that the report be adopted without amendment.

The Toronto Industry Network (TIN) generally agrees with the thrust of the provincial Bill 97 to limit the kinds of uses that are permitted in Employment Areas allowing only those that are directly associated with manufacturing and allied uses.

We support the staff recommendation, which is consistent with Bill 97, that an expanded group of uses such as sports and recreation facilities, places of assembly and worship not be permitted. As sensitive uses, such facilities can cause considerable conflict with established manufacturing facilities. However, TIN recognizes that non-manufacturing uses that will no longer be legal under Bill 97 and OPAs 668 and 680 are lawfully established.

We thank you for your attention.

Sincerely,

Craig McLuckie, President