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TO: The Toronto and East York Community Council

FROM: David S, Craig
Chair, Board of Trustees
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Jim Lewis
Chair, Trinity-St. Paul's Centre

RE: Request to Amend the Zoning By-law Application Number 22 216345 STE 11 OZ
Location of Application: 425 Bloor Street West
Applicant: 425 Bloor West GP Inc

Submission

On behalf of Trinity-St. Paul's United Church and the Trinity St. Paul's Centre, we support the Application quoted above.

Trinity St. Paul's United Church is a 137-year-old Heritage building. It is a vibrant community hub, providing low-cost space for over sixty arts, faith, and social service groups, together with their concerts, dance and music rehearsals, twelve-step programs, and social justice, activities in support newcomers, 2SLGBTQ+, Indigenous peoples and two congregations. Every year, tens of thousands of people enter our building for concerts, classes and programs providing over three million dollars in economic activity to the Annex area.

Located at 427 Bloor Street West, our building and garden are the most affected by the proposed construction at 425 Bloor Street West. Our concerns are especially around noise and dust during the construction phase.

Our building would also form the west side of the Plaza and creates an exciting opportunity for our building and the neighborhood.

We participated in the 425 Working Group process and found it response and creative. We look forward to continuing to work with the developers and planners of this project to create a unified vision for the Plaza that would, as appropriate, enhance our mission of Faith, Justice and the Arts.

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Our visioning includes a wheelchair ramp that would give direct access to the performance space / sanctuary and site-specific lighting that would creatively enhance the architectural details of our stone walls and bell tower.

We look forward to working with the Harbord Village Residents Association and the Annex Residents Association to provide community input on the design and implementation of the Plaza.

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