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Dear friends!

First of all, congratulations on forming a heritage association to work on issues related to the Wychwood Barns and other issues of historical importance to our community. There is so much history in our community and we have much of which we can be proud. I look forward to working with you on many a community project.

The immediate issue before us is the Wychwood Barns, in particular determining through City Council the percentage of the land that will be devoted to parkspace. As you know, I am firmly committed to the 100% park option.

In fact, I have watched this issue for years as the Councillor north of St. Clair and a TTC Commissioner. In January and March 1998, it was I who moved motions at TTC Commission meetings to defer the demolition of the barns pending community input and a city review of the lands.

Our community is so devoid of parkspace and community facilities for our children, our families and our seniors. To overcome this deficiency, as a Councillor in the former York, I worked with the community to establish an library and arts centre at Oakwood and Rogers, and a new one acre park at Roseneath and Glenhurst (at the north end of the No Frills store). A healthy community means good community and recreational opportunities. To that end I am, and have always been, firmly committed.

The Wychwood Barns site is not an appropriate location for implementing the city's Housing First policy. The area already has sufficient density. The park deficiency is simply too great in this community. To miss the opportunity to enhance the quality of life in our neighbourhood for all residents would be a tragedy.

As you may be aware, my family and I live two blocks from the Barns. From a very personal point of view, I look forward to the day when my family can enjoy the park, meet friends, and play. If I can be of any assistance in terms of helping the community get informed or organized, please do not hesitate to call. I am eager to contribute to this important community project.

Sincerely,

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