Committee of Adjustment

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To the Committee of Adjustment, May 4th, 2021

RE: 60 Ontario Street

I urge you to approve the minor variance being requested for 60 Ontario Street. The uses proposed by the applicant would be a real asset to the neighbourhood, and would be compatible with our city's vision for walkable neighbourhoods.

St. Patrick's Ward has a long history of small businesses mixed with residential, so there is potential for this project to add to the vibrancy of the area and to honour its rich heritage. I live just a short distance from this address, and In speaking with other nearby residents, it looks like a high percentage of customers for this business would be foot traffic, so fewer parking spots would be needed. Our city is re-assessing our current ratio for parking spaces per business. This could be a template for future entrepreneurial ventures, an opportunity to be open to the kind of innovation that can help us achieve our net-zero goals while creating conditions for lively, healthy neighbourhoods.

This is a people-friendly proposal, and I'm sure your committee will see the value that would be added to the Ward by granting relief from the by-law requirements.

Thankyou

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