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Chair and Members
Planning & Environment Committee
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Dear Chair and Committee Members:

Re: Request for Demolition – 420 Fanshawe Park Road East

We are the owners of the property referenced above. Dr. Chiu recently submitted an application to demolish the existing vacant building on the site. The building is listed on the 2005 Inventory of Heritage Resources as a Priority 3 structure

As a result of this request, a Public Participation meeting was held before the City's Planning & Environment Committee on November 4, 2014 to consider the request for demolition. Prior to the Public Participation meeting, the London Advisory Committee on Heritage was asked to review and comment on this application. As noted by City staff, LACH advised that they did not object to the demolition of the building at 420 Fanshawe Park Road. Further, City staff reviewed the merits of designation under Section 29 of the *Ontario Heritage Act* and concluded that there was insufficient merit to warrant designation.

A number of residents spoke at the Public Participation meeting regarding the demolition of the property but also spoke about the potential redevelopment of the property and the removal of the trees on site. A great deal of attention has been paid to the removal of trees to make way for some potential redevelopment plan. We wish to emphasize that we have not made any application for redevelopment of the site and no decisions have been made with respect to possible uses. At this point, it is pure speculation as to the future uses on the property. Any such plans that would deviate from the current Official Plan and Zoning regime would undergo a full planning review, including additional public consultation.

We would like to advise the Committee that our immediate plans are only to demolish the existing building on the site as it has been vacant for a number of years and is in a state of disrepair. There are concerns with trespassing on the property and vandalism of the building. We do not have any plans at this time to remove existing trees on the site. We would note, however, that we have undertaken some clearing of underbrush including overgrown shrubs and bushes.

Accordingly, we respectfully request that Planning & Environment Committee and Council address the matter that is currently before them and take under advisement the recommendations brought forward by Staff.

We are committed to working with the City on this matter and thank you for your consideration.

Yours Truly,

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