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Via Email: csaunder@london.ca

The Corporation of the City of London City Hall 300 Dufferin Avenue London, ON N6A 4L9

Attention:

Cathy Saunders, Clerk

Dear Ms. Saunders:

Re:

**Concerned Downtown Businesses** 

Food Truck Amendments Licensing By-law L-6

We are the solicitors for a group of business owners, "Concerned Downtown Businesses", that have significant and legitimate concerns regarding the proposed amendments to the above-noted By-law. We request that this correspondence be included as an added communication for consideration by Council prior to its meeting of Tuesday, February 24<sup>th</sup>, 2015.

We have reviewed the history, reports, and information surrounding this matter to date. The Staff Report provided to the Community and Protective Services Committee at its meeting of February 18, 2015 and the subsequent changes to the proposed amendment recommended by the Committee are of particular concern.

Our Client does not wish to prevent Food Trucks from operating, however, the proposed implementation is not fair or reasonable and in some respects is flawed. We have determined that the proposed By-law Amendment and the treatment of same by Council and Committee do not comply with the applicable legislation or current municipal policies. In particular, BIA requirements must be reviewed. Accordingly, we request that the passage of the proposed amendments to By-law L-6 be deferred to permit constructive consultation with the City of London Legal Department.

Yours truly

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c.c. Concerned Downtown Businesses