From: Alexandra Harkins

Sent: Sunday, November 04, 2012 7:18 PM

To: Lysynski, Heather

Subject: Deny demolition of 591 Maitland

Dear Members of Planning and Environment Committee,

We would like to express our support for the recent decision of LACH to deny a demolition permit for 591 Maitland Street in the heart of Woodfield. We ask that Planning Committee endorse that decision. We object to the demolition of any viable heritage building in the heritage districts, unless that building is in danger of collapse, or the plan for its replacement has strong, local value and support. This building is stable and not a danger. Furthermore, it is an important part of the heritage streetscape and of a vintage consistent with the surrounding homes. While not the most glamorous house, the purpose of a Heritage District is to *protect* the integrity of the *historic streetscape... ALL of our heritage homes are important for this*.

The neighbourhood of Woodfield is widely recognized as a jewel of Victorian Architectural streetscapes in Canada. Please make London's built heritage a priority -- do not approve this demolition permit.

Sincerely,

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