

Subject: [EXTERNAL] Future of Dufferin

Dear Members of the PEC Committee,

For years there have been heritage walks for Londoners and tourists in the city's historic area. Participants learn about the historic heart of London, extending north and east out toward Talbot Street from the old Courthouse building, whose future, like the houses at 93-95 Dufferin Avenue, is also in the hands of a developer.

Each year, there are fewer and fewer original buildings to be seen on those walks that explore London's early history. Developers offer to acknowledge what they have destroyed through a commemorative plaque or a wall rebuilt from the original bricks that often turn out to be unusable. Think of what remains of the Talbot block, that was to be so honoured by developers: All original buildings are gone and the historic plaque is almost illegible.

When is it going to end? Development continues to nibble away at London's proud history so there will be nothing left for future generations to see. Do we want to be remembered for trashing our history?

Respectfully,

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