Sarah Segal and Peter McFarlane 115 Cottingham Street Toronto, Ontario M4V 1B9

Dear Ms Segal and Mr. Farlane,

My name is Eugene Di Trolio and I am the president of the North Talbot Community Association. I received notice of the hearing at the Ontario Municipal Board regarding the intensification of your property at 138 John Street.

One of the main concerns expressed by me and others is the issue of parking at the north end of the property along the back fence.

The placement of the parking along the back fence will fragment precious green space and potentially allow parking throughout the back area.

The grading of the back lot also raises concerns regarding the practicality or difficulty of a back parking area.

These concerns were raised in a memo dated January 4, 2013 from Peter Liston of the Development Services Dept. of the City of London. Mr. Liston wrote that they had no objection to the variance but 'the topography of the subject lands may be problematic for the construction of the proposed parking area in the rear lands.' This memo was dated prior to the Committee of Adjustments decision to move the parking farther down the lot, and can only assume that the associated problems with rear parking will only increase with parking farther down the grade.

The preference is that the parking be away from other neighbouring yards to maintain the integrity of the neighbourhood green space and avoid the negative impacts associated with parking and cars.

I am asking that you please reconsider placing the parking behind the house as you originally proposed with a retaining wall separating the back yard from the parking area.

With this arrangement I believe that the application to the Ontario Municipal Board can be withdrawn.

Sincerely,

Eugene Di Trolio

President of the North Talbot Community Association

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CC: Judy Bryant, Councillor, Planning Committee

Original letter sent by mail