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Mr. Rick Leary
Chief Executive Officer, Toronto Transit Commission
1900 Yonge Street
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**Re: Permanently reinstate Cedar Drive and Beachell Street Bus Stops
RapidTO project on Eglinton Avenue East**

Rick,

I am writing with respect to the Cedar Drive and Beachell Street bus stop along Eglinton Avenue East, on behalf of both myself and the residents of Ward 24.

While I appreciate the temporary re-opening of the Cedar Drive and Beachell Street bus stops, I am asking they be permanently reinstated.

Both bus stops are in high density neighbourhoods, part of two Neighbourhood Improvement Areas in Ward 24 Scarborough – Guildwood, where a large portion of the residents rely heavily on public transit. Permanently removing them from the TTC route will reduce the number of stops available to residents by 50%.

I have heard from many residents including seniors, residents taking young children to school or daycare, as well as residents with disabilities; all feel strongly in requesting the bus stops remain. They all advised their removal would create great difficulty in reaching the next available bus stop. Additionally, eliminating the bus stops will create a longer commute, and hardship for all specifically during the winter months. (It must also be noted the bus stops are located at high rise towers inhabiting daycares and a high number of seniors.)

I believe the TTC offers world class transportation service and plays a vital role in keeping our city moving. I look forward to collectively working with you to address the needs of my residents.

Thank you for your attention to this matter. I appreciate and look forward to your response.

Sincerely,

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