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145 St George St Tenants Committee

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I am writing to you regarding the above Bill on behalf of the 145 St George Street Tenants' Committee. As you may be aware, the state of affordable housing here is dire. In our apartment building alone, we are approximately 150 tenants whose apartments, whose homes, are currently under threat of demolition – and this with no indication that our apartment building will be replaced with more and affordable rental housing.

Considering the inclusive name of Bill 109, More Homes for Everyone Act, in what ways, if any, does Bill 109 support and protect renters? Will, for example, the reinstitution of rent control be

considered in this Bill? Astonishingly, the entire Bill refers to only homeowners and does not include “renters” or “rental housing”.

The province intends to prepare a housing supply action plan every year over four years in order to implement the recommendations set out in the Housing Affordability Task Force report. Currently, Bill 109 intends to implement only some recommendations from the task force report. Will implementation of further task force recommendations be subject to the same legislative/consultative process that Bill 109 is undergoing, or will passage of Bill 109 allow those future recommendations to somehow be “fast-tracked” via the annual "action plans?

While it’s good to see a review and updates of the Ontario New Home Warranties Plan Act and the Protection for Owners and Purchasers of the New Homes Act, is this truly the More Homes for Everyone Act, or is it the More Homes for Just Some Homeowners Act?

Respectfully submitted,
145 St George St Tenants Committee