



January 15, 2014

Councillor Mark Grimes
City Hall
100 Queen Street West, Suite C48
Toronto, ON
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Dear Councillor Grimes,

It has come to our attention that in discussions about the proposed community garden at Colonel Samuel Smith Park, objections by an “ornithological group” have been mentioned. Many people assume that group is CCFEW. It is not. I would like to clarify that CCFEW does not object to a community garden at the proposed location in the northwest corner of the park, near Lake Shore Boulevard West, between The Gatehouse and Rabba.

We had concerns about some of the other locations proposed earlier, but this one addresses our concerns in that it is in a highly visible location with adequate separation from naturalized areas and other significant wildlife habitat.

We have not taken a position in support of, or in opposition to the project. It's ultimate success will depend to a great extent on it's organization and management. Those details have not, to our knowledge, been established.

Sincerely

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