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Mayor Gregor Robertson and Vancouver City Council  
Vancouver City Hall  
453 W.12<sup>th</sup> Ave.  
Vancouver, BC, V5Y 1V4

### Re: Affordable Home Ownership Pilot Program

Dear Mayor Robertson and Members of Council,

We are writing to express our concerns about the proposed Affordable Home Ownership Pilot Program. While in principle we support affordability and are not against good quality development projects that respect their heritage and context, we are concerned that the proposed policy will in the long term threaten numerous heritage assets (including significant character homes). Reading the report, it is not clear that the impacts of this policy on the heritage and character of the affected areas have been considered. We respectfully request that:

1. The City fully consider the impacts of the proposed policy and potential new spot rezonings on heritage assets (including those that are not presently included on the Heritage register)
2. Based on the results of (1) above, include specific provisions for dealing with heritage assets and neighbourhood character in the policy document
3. Additional consultation be carried out, particularly with respect to potential impacts on character neighbourhoods

Thank you for your consideration. Please do not hesitate to be in touch with any further questions or clarifications.

Sincerely,

Stewart Burgess  
Vice President, Heritage Vancouver Society