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

Re: Bylaw Amendments to the First Shaughnessy Heritage Conservation Area Official Development Plan

Dear Mayor Robertson and Members of Council,

The establishment of the First Shaughnessy Heritage Conservation Area has been a key accomplishment for heritage in our city, and we applaud the work that the city has undertaken to make this new heritage management framework a reality. Work on this new initiative is ongoing, and at present, City staff have recommended amendments to the First Shaughnessy Heritage Conservation Area (FSHCA) and related by-laws.

These recommendations to Council regarding amendments to the by-laws provide further clarification of the FSHCA intent and processes. They aim to be responsive to concerns about the FSHCA raised by some residents in the neighbourhood, while at the same time ensuring appropriate conservation outcomes. As this is the first use by Vancouver of this heritage conservation tool, we appreciate the complex task that City staff have in making the FSHCA successful. Since the process started, we have fully supported the city's efforts to establish a Heritage Conservation Area in First Shaughnessy and we continue to do so. Therefore we support these amendments proposed by City staff.

Thank you for supporting measures that protect the heritage of our city.

Sincerely,

Javier Campos
President, Heritage Vancouver Society