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Attention: Ray Leclair, Vice-President, Public Affairs
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Dear Sirs:

Re: Proposed amendments to the Planning Act

The Federation of Ontario Law Associations ("FOLA") has carefully reviewed the proposed changes to the *Planning Act* put forward by LawPRO in 2018 and is writing to unconditionally endorse each of the proposed amendments.

FOLA is an organization representing the associations and members of forty-six local law associations across Ontario. Together with the Toronto Lawyer's Association, our members represent approximately 12,000 lawyers across the province. The vast majority of these lawyers provide front-line services to the Ontario public. Many of our members deal with the *Planning Act* on a regular basis as part of a real estate practice, and the proposed amendment will enhance their ability to assist their clients.

Yours truly,

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