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Mr. Marc Aubin,
King Edward Avenue Task Force,
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Dear Mr. Aubin:

Thank you for your most interesting letter about King Edward Avenue. I think I mentioned how lovely it had been in a speech I made to the Royal Architectural Institute, because I do remember seeing photographs of it in the 30s when it was a boulevard. I think it is horrifying what has happened to it over the years as it became an expressway, and I am very pleased to hear that there is consideration of returning it to boulevard status.

If you wish, you can show this letter to the City of Ottawa council and tell them how much I support the idea of the return of King Edward Avenue not only to its historic role as a ceremonial passage, but also as an elegantly built avenue in the centre of Ottawa.

I did not receive the attachments of the pictures of King Edward Avenue, but I do know them from previous research that was done for me.

You can count on my support for this: it is a beautification project in an urban setting, which makes a great deal of historic and aesthetic sense.

All the best of luck to you. I hope to see large trees planted in the next few years!

With warmest good wishes,

Yours sincerely,



The Rt. Hon. Adrienne Clarkson.

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