

MEMORANDUM

RE: Residential Complex along René-Lévesque Boulevard, between Joseph-Manseau Street and the Ernest-Cormier Esplanade, including 1800, René-Lévesque Boulevard West

My name is Peter Irvine and I live on rue du Fort, the building at the southeast corner of Fort and Ste-Catherine known as Place du Fort.

I wish, by means of this memorandum, TO STRONGLY OBJECT to the project in the above reference.

I have lived in my apartment, located on the southwest corner of the 18th floor of Place du Fort, for some 27 years. The windows of my living room and two bedrooms look south towards the St. Lawrence River and beyond. My view encompasses the lower part of downtown, the river plus the Champlain Bridge, the low mountains beyond and, on a clear day, the Sutton Mountains and the Appalachians in northern New York in the far distance. The “Farine Five Roses” building frames the east and the river upstream from the beautiful bridge frames the west of my view.

There seems little doubt that the proposed project with its 44 and 60 metre buildings in height would, in effect, cut my view in half. I am in my 72nd year and from my bedroom office where I still “work” many hours each day I rejoice in the vista before me. Its interruption would be unpleasant, to say the least.

There is also the issue of my rent, which to some extent reflects the view from my apartment.

Finally, while I quite understand that it would be in the commercial interests of Groupe Pacific to construct these towers, I would much rather see the character of the former convent of the Petites soeurs des pauvres wholly maintained in any reconstruction project.

Thank you for opportunity for making my objections known to the Office du consultation publique de Montréal.

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