His Worship the Mayor and Members of City Council c/o City Clerk's Office, City Hall 222 Third Avenue North Saskatoon,SK S7K 0J5

Re:

Parcel #: 120283006

Lot 19, Blk/Par 171, Plan No. 99SA32572

Ext 0

As described on Certificate of Title

99SA32572CD



His Worship the Mayor, and Members of City Council,

This letter is respectfully submitted to oppose the subdivision of the land mentioned above, which is located on the historic and beautiful Spadina Crescent East, on Treaty Six Territory and Homeland of the Metis.

The property in question is located between St. John's Cathedral and Knox United churches. Both of these landmarks of Saskatoon were built in 1912, and have stood the test of time. St. John's Cathedral is undergoing a significant restoration project starting this May, which will include roof work and work on the spire. Both of these places of worship are registered historic places in Saskatoon. They deserve better than a monolith structure dropped inbetween them, destroying the very aesthetic of the neighbourhood.

To propose to build this type of high-rise between these two magnificent churches is disgraceful to say the least. Spadina Crescent East is not meant to have heavy traffic. It's a place where the citizenry of Saskatoon go during all the seasons, to enjoy the river-bank, the picturesque scenery, perhaps go skating, meet up with friends for a walk.

The vehicle traffic congestion that a structure such as this would bring to the area would be immense. The ambiance of the area would deteriorate significantly with a structure of this size and stick out like an ugly sore thumb. The skyline would be irrevocably and negatively changed.

Right now, His Worship and City Council have the opportunity to do the right thing - *right now*. There have been so many lost opportunities within our lovely city to "do the right thing" by our beautiful and historic buildings - The Capitol Theatre, The Farnam Block; we are currently watching Third Avenue United Church wither away year after year because of a botched decision making process, just to name a few - and here is another chance. Please don't waste it.

Respectfully,

Jake and Betty Banman

**Spadina Crescent East**