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To: Budget Committee

From: Board of Health

Subject: Toronto Public Health Operating Budget Variance Report for the six months ended June 30, 2007

**Board Recommendation:**

**The Board of Health:**

1. expressed to City Council, through the Budget Committee and the Executive Committee, that it regrets the implementation of the cost containment measures and wishes to convey to Toronto City Council the Board of Health's desire to reinstate the program and service reductions as soon as possible; and
2. urges City Council to approve the land transfer tax and vehicle registration tax at the October 22, 2007, Council meeting as a means to achieve the investment necessary to ensure the City's financial commitment to public health programs.

**Background:**

The Board of Health on September 19, 2007, considered the following:

- a. report (August 20, 2007) from the Medical Officer of Health submitting, for information, the Toronto Public Health Operating Budget Variance Report for the six months ended June 30, 2007; and
- b. additional material distributed at the meeting by the Medical Officer of Health entitled "Cost Containment Savings Summary" and "Cost Containment Service Implications".

The Medical Officer of Health gave a presentation and filed a copy of his presentation material.

Secretary,  
Board of Health

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Item HL7.9  
Attachment

c. Medical Officer of Health