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Councillor Janet Davis
Chair – Community Development and Recreation Committee
100 Queen Street West,
Suite C57
Toronto, ON
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Dear Councillor Davis.

Re: Extending the Outdoor Ice Skating Season

I am writing to request a report with regard to extending the outdoor ice skating season so that all outdoor ice rinks will open at the same time as Nathan Phillips Square.

Toronto has more outdoor ice rinks than any other city in the world.
Unfortunately, weather does limit our enjoyment of this tremendous city asset.
While the city has examined extending the skating season in March, many have agreed it makes more sense to open all of our ice rinks earlier.

In this regard, I am suggesting that all our outdoor ice rinks open in November at the same time as Nathan Phillips Square. This year Nathan Phillips Square opened on November 22nd while most other rinks opened on December 6th.

I would request that this report be submitted with recommendations to this committee in time to be considered for the 2009 Operating Budget.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Denzil Minnan-Wong Councillor, Ward 34 Don Valley East

