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**Councillor** Toronto-Danforth Ward 30

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Parks and Environment Committee

Dear Committee Members,

The Toronto Island Ferry Service is a vital part of both our waterfront and our City parks system. In 2010 the Trillium ferry boat is celebrating its 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary. This landmark occasion will be celebrated by Torontonians and visitors alike.

After entering service in 1910, the Trillium carried Torontonians and visitors between the City's downtown and Hanlan's Point, Centre Island and Ward's Island until 1952. In 1919, the ferry was granted the rare honour of being chartered to carry the Royal Party during the official visit of the Prince of Wales. While originally retired from service in 1957, the Trillium was restored in 1974 and remains a vital part of the current Toronto Island Ferry Service fleet.

I would like to request that the Trillium's 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary be recognized by a proclamation and that Heritage Toronto, in partnership with Parks, Forestry and Recreation, organize an official celebration of this important historic occasion. I would also request that staff work with interested parties to plan the celebration, including, Mike Filey, Toronto's unofficial historian, the Polson family, and Gordon Champion, the engineer responsible for the restoration.

Sincerely,

Paula Fletcher  
City Councillor, Ward 30