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MEMO

TO: Members, Toronto and East York Community Council

FROM: Councillor Ana Bailão, Ward 18, Davenport

RE: Naming of public lane bound by Sheridan Avenue to the west, Dufferin

Street to the east, Bonar Place to the north and College Street to the

south. (Ward 18)

DATE: May 14, 2012

Dear Members,

In the summer of 2011, area residents came together with my office and the Toronto Parking Authority to convey the garden next to the Green P parking lot to community stewardship.

Throughout the summer months local residents worked together in maintaining this community garden. From the youngest resident to the eldest, everyone worked as a team to plant and maintain a variety of fresh herbs and vegetables for local consumption. Residents jointly decided to name their garden: "Dragon Alley Community Garden."

This community garden has been a visible expression of this community's identity and the development of this space has encouraged even greater community engagement.

It is my understanding that this public lane runs has remained nameless for a few years now. Furthermore, according to various discussions with local area residents, it is clear to me that the overall consensus is that this public lane should be named after the "Dragon Alley" community garden that has become of great importance to this local community.

In closing, I believe the naming of this public lane would be a fitting recognition of this community's hard work to enliven this public space.



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Recommendation:

1. Direct the City Surveyor, Technical Services to report back to Toronto and East York Community Council on naming this public lane bound by Sheridan Avenue to the west, Dufferin Street to the east, Bonar Place to the north and College Street to the south, "Dragon Alley."

Sincerely,

Ana Bailão City Councillor Ward 18, Davenport