



**January 23, 2018**

Dear Chair Tory & Members of Executive Committee,

I am writing to you regarding item EX30.1 – Waterfront Transit Reset Network Plan. I would like to express my full support for the plan and its implications for our waterfront, which is currently underserved by transit. The need for accessible, reliable public transit is at a tipping point across our city. In 2015, I called on the City to 'close the gap' with a dedicated right-of-way for transit between the Humber Loop and St. Joseph's hospital, which initiated a further review of all waterfront transit. The Waterfront Transit Reset is an ambitious plan that will help our city become even more connected.

The report outlines many important considerations for my community, and I am pleased to see that Humber Bay Shores ('Humber Bay Link') portion of the plan, which proposes a dedicated transit right of way between Humber Loop to Exhibition Place, has been highlighted as a priority. Working in conjunction with the Park Lawn Lakeshore Master Plan project, and potential for an integrated transit hub on the First Capital (former Christie's) property, there are transformative opportunities available that will serve both current and future Etobicoke-Lakeshore residents.

I ask that Executive Committee move to approve the report and support the recommendations outlined therein.

Best regards,

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