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John Tory
Mayor

Date: December 9, 2020

To: Striking Committee

From: Mayor John Tory

Subject: Recommended Appointments to Boards and Committees

I want to begin by thanking each and every Councillor for their hard work and commitment over the past two years. The last 9 months have posed unprecedented challenges, and I believe we have led our city through this pandemic because we have come together as a team, working together for all Torontonians.

As we head into the second half of the term, I am making the attached recommendations to Striking Committee, and ultimately Council, for appointments to committees and boards. These recommendations result from a Council-wide canvass conducted by the City Clerk and conversations with many of you.

There is much work to be done across all of the City's committees and boards, and I want to thank Councillors for agreeing to take on added responsibilities, while you continue to address the local needs of your constituents during these challenging times.

In particular, I want to thank our great Speaker, Councillor Nunziata, who has agreed to sit on two standing committees and the Corporations Nominating Panel; and Councillor Pasternak for continuing on the Executive Committee after his six years of great service and strong leadership as Chair of the Infrastructure and Environment Committee this term and the Community Development and Recreation Committee last term.

A number of first-term members will take on important new responsibilities, such as Councillor McKelvie as the Chair of the Infrastructure and Environment Committee; Councillor Bradford, with Council's approval, as Chair of the Toronto Music Advisory Committee; and Councillor Lai, who was appointed to the TTC Board in October. Councillor Cressy, with the Board's approval, will continue as Chair of the Board of Health, as we continue responding to COVID-19.

The recommendations attached are intended to ensure we are well-positioned as a Council to tackle the big issues, and I believe ensure a cross-section of Council is represented on all important committees and boards, and in leadership roles through the various chair positions, as well as Mayor's designate appointees.

Thank you again your hard work, and I look forward to our continued partnership throughout the remainder of the term.

Yours truly,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "John Tory". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large loop at the beginning and a long, sweeping tail.

John Tory
Mayor