



Monday, January 11, 2021

Dear Members of the Infrastructure and Environment Committee,

The Toronto International BuskerFest for Epilepsy took place on Yonge street for three years from 2013 to 2015, and over that time we learned a lot about the benefits and drawbacks of hosting a festival on this iconic street. There were many challenges we faced that led to us ultimately moving our festival off of Yonge Street.

We understand that the street is in need of major construction and that what needs to be decided is how to put the road back together. We support the idea of transforming Yonge Street into a world-class, 21-century urban destination that includes infrastructure to support major cultural events.

We endorse the idea of reducing the number of lanes of traffic to enable wider sidewalks for an improved pedestrian experience and enabling pedestrian-only access during special events, such as ours.

We applaud yongeTOmorrow and the Downtown Yonge BIA for their tireless efforts to transform our country's Main Street and redesign Yonge Street to accommodate world-renowned cultural events such as the Toronto International BuskerFest for Epilepsy.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "M. Muldoon".

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