

**NOTICE OF MOTION****Request for an Amendment to the Criminal Code Regarding Intentional Harm to Law Enforcement Animals**

**Moved by:** Councillor Lindsay Luby

**Seconded by:** Councillor Soknacki

“**WHEREAS** the Toronto Police Service, and many law enforcement agencies across Canada, rely on service animals to help fight crime and protect our streets; and

**WHEREAS** Brigadier, an eight-year-old Belgian cross, was deliberately struck by a driver at a high rate of speed; and

**WHEREAS** there are many examples of intentional harm or injury to law enforcement horses and dogs; and

**WHEREAS** many U.S. States have made it a felony to harm or injure such service animals; and

**WHEREAS** there is no protection for law enforcement service animals in the Canadian Criminal Code;

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** Toronto City Council urge the Government of Canada to amend the Criminal Code to make intentional harm of a law enforcement animal an indictable offense;

**AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT** a copy of this Motion be sent to the Prime Minister, the Federal Minister of Justice and Attorney General, and the Federal Minister of Public Safety;

**AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT** a copy of this Motion be sent to the Premier of Ontario, the Attorney General of Ontario, the Ontario Minister of Community Safety and Correctional Services, and the Chief of Police, Toronto Police Service;

**AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT** the necessary provisions of Chapter 27 of the City of Toronto Municipal Code be waived to permit introduction and debate of this Notice of Motion at the special meeting of Council on March 29, 2006.”

March 29, 2006

According to Chapter 27 of the Municipal Code, the foregoing Notice of Motion:

Notice was previously given	
Meets Municipal Code provisions and only requires a simple majority to introduce and debate	
Requires two-thirds to waive notice	(√)
Requires two-thirds to re-open	
Fiscal Impact Statement provided	*
Should have Fiscal Impact Statement prior to debate	*
Requires two-thirds to waive requirement if Council wishes to debate	
Should be referred to the Policy and Finance Committee	(√)
Requires two-thirds to waive referral if Council wishes to debate	
Recommendations are time sensitive	

\* Deputy City Manager and Chief Financial Officer to advise.