May 25, 2009

To: Executive Committee
From: Aboriginal Affairs Committee
Subject: Statistic and Baseline Data – Aboriginal Persons Demographic

Recommendation:

The Aboriginal Affairs Committee requests that:

1. City Council not put too much credence in the demographic statistics generated by the 2006 Census as they under estimate the true Aboriginal population in Toronto.

2. City Council endorse and support the work of the Toronto Aboriginal Population Project in attaining a more accurate statistical representation of the Aboriginal population in Toronto.

Background:

The Aboriginal Affairs Committee on May 20, 2009 further considered the presentation from Alan Meisner, Planning Analyst, Social Development, Finance and Administration on the Aboriginal Persons Demographic Snapshot for 2006, and the Census Highlights which was heard at its meeting held on February 12, 2009.

The Committee had before it on February 12, 2009 the following:

- Communication (January 16, 2008) from the Toronto Public Health Aboriginal Roundtable Research Sub-Committee, addressed to the Policy Coordinating Committee outlining the Census Highlights;

- PowerPoint Presentation (undated) from the City of Toronto Social Development, Finance and Administration Division, 2008 titled, Toronto Aboriginal Persons Demographic Snapshot 2006

City Clerk

Gail Fowler

Attach.(s)