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To: Community Development and Recreation Committee

From: Children's Services Advisory Committee

Subject: Implementing Early Learning: Status Report

Recommendations:

The Children's Services Advisory Committee recommends to Community Development and Recreation Committee that:

- 1. City Council requests the Minister of Education to:
 - a. protect existing child care early learning spaces in schools and ensure sufficient funding to achieve this.
 - b. ensure that adequate supervision and hot lunches remain available in child care during the transition and be included and funded in Early Learning Programs when implemented.
- 2. City Council adopt the following resolution:

"Whereas, the vision of the Early Learning Programs was a seamless day with integrated programming for Early Learning Day Care for children 0-12 years; and

Whereas, this program is being implemented in a fragmented way with insufficient resources and effective governance models; and

Whereas, local government and community representatives are concerned that this fragmented implementation will create service gaps and impact on the lives and well-being of children in the City of Toronto;

Therefore, be it resolved that City Council request that the school boards join them in public consultation to create a strategy and

communication with the Provincial government after the municipal elections".

3. City Council forward the report (June 11, 2010) from the General Manager, Children's Services, titled "Implementing Early Learning: Status Report" to the Chairs of Local Health Committees for their consideration.

Background:

The Children's Services Advisory Committee on June 18, 2010, heard a presentation by the General Manager, Children Services, respecting the report (June 11, 2010) from the General Manager, Children's Services, titled "Implementing Early Learning: Status Report".

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c. General Manager, Children's Services