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Mr. John Tracogna  
Chief Executive Officer  
Toronto Zoo  
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Dear Mr. Tracogna:

**Subject: City Council – Member Motion – MM13.9  
Moving the Three Toronto Zoo Elephants to the PAWS Sanctuary  
as Soon and as Safely as Possible**

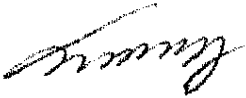
City Council on October 24 and 25, 2011, adopted the following:

City Council direct the Board of Management of the Toronto Zoo as follows:

1. Toronto Zoo staff make the necessary arrangements with the Performing Animals Welfare Society (PAWS) sanctuary to physically transfer the 3 elephants, Iringa, Toka and Thika to its facility in California and to transfer legal ownership to PAWS as soon as arrangements can be made by PAWS to safely transport the elephants and permits can be obtained.
2. Toronto Zoo staff work with the PAWS sanctuary on transport and permit arrangements, with the PAWS sanctuary to have the primary responsibility for the safe and humane transport of the elephants to their facility in California, at their cost, while complying with all applicable laws and standards.
3. Parts 1 and 2 above be subject to the legal and financial commitments of PAWS and ZooCheck with respect to their contribution to the costs of the transfers being appropriately documented, to the satisfaction of the City Solicitor and the City Manager.

4. Toronto Zoo staff report to the Board of Management of the Toronto Zoo on the cost savings achieved in Zoo operations once the elephant transfer has been effected, and that the Board reduce its future operating budget by a corresponding amount.

Yours truly,



for City Clerk

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Attachment

Sent to: Board of Management, Toronto Zoo  
Chief Executive Officer, Toronto Zoo  
Miguel Avila, Citizens Advisory Committee

- c. City Manager  
City Solicitor