

City Council

Motion without Notice

MM28.21	ACTION			Ward:All
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To congratulate the winners of the 100th Grey Cup Game 2012 - The Toronto Argonauts - by Councillor Mark Grimes, seconded by Mayor Rob Ford

** This Motion has been deemed urgent by the Chair.*

** This Motion is not subject to a vote to waive referral.*

** This Motion has been added to the agenda and is before Council for debate.*

Recommendations

Councillor Mark Grimes, seconded by Mayor Rob Ford, recommends that:

1. City Council congratulate Chris Rudge, President of the Toronto Argonauts and Chairman of the Grey Cup Festival Organizing Committee, the Festival Committee Members, along with Head Coach, Scott Milanovich and the coaching staff, and the team members of the Toronto Argonauts on their win in the 100th Grey Cup game.
2. City Council thank City Staff for a superb job organizing the Grey Cup Festivities.

Summary

The Toronto Argonauts, 2012 champions of the Canadian Football League East Division, completed the season with a 35-22 victory over the Calgary Stampeders in the 100th Grey Cup game played in Toronto on November 25, 2012.

The 100th Grey Cup Festival was held from November 15 to 25, 2012, creating an unforgettable experience for football fans from coast-to-coast. The festival brought Toronto to life, captivating football fans, and the City as a whole, all week long.

On November 25, millions of people watched the 100th Grey Cup game across Canada and in more than 160 countries worldwide.

The Toronto Argonauts franchise was founded in 1873 and is the oldest existing professional sports team in North America, still using its original name. The Toronto Argonauts Football Club was formed as part of the Argonaut Rowing Club, using the double blue colours of Oxford and Cambridge, for club members who were rugby football enthusiasts.

The Argonauts have won the Grey Cup Championship a record 16 times. They have appeared in the Grey Cup Championship Game 22 times and hold the record for the best winning percentage in the championship game. Additionally, the franchise has the longest current winning streak in the Grey Cup, having won their last five appearances in 1991, 1996, 1997, 2004 and 2012

It has been 60 years since the Argonauts won the Grey Cup in a game held in Toronto, making this win a celebratory moment across this great City.

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Background Information (City Council)

Member Motion MM28.21