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**EX33.13 – The Pan Am Path, 2015 Legacy Projects**

To Mayor Ford and Members of Toronto City Council:

Cycle Toronto would like to express its support for the Pan Am Path as a legacy project of the Toronto 2015 Pan/Parapan American Games.

The Pan Am Path could be the first continuous active living trail in Toronto that touches and connects some of the city's most diverse neighborhoods.

Stretching from Rexdale to Port Union, the Pan Am Path could help bridge downtown Toronto and the inner suburbs, promoting active transportation, making cycling more accessible, and in turn improving the health of our city's residents.

By completing only a handful of missing sections, and upgrading some existing sections, a path of over 80 kilometers of off-road trails will emerge.

Cycle Toronto is excited about Toronto engaging more local residents and visitors with trails and public spaces, through the community animation component. We are hopeful many new individuals will learn about and use Toronto's trail network, which is undergoing revitalization over the next ten years.

Over the long-term, the Pan Am Path represents an historic opportunity for a new era in Toronto trail design and experience. A well-designed, truly continuous, accessible multi-use trail would offer world-class recreational, tourism, and transportation opportunities for many years to come. This should include improved signage, wayfinding, and wheelchair friendly trail connections.

It is our common goal to have an inclusive and beautiful city ready for the 2015 Pan/Parapan American Games. The Pan Am Path is a very exciting project for Toronto communities to add new life to our parks and trail system, and to benefit from the results over the long-term. Cycle Toronto encourages you to support this initiative.

Sincerely,



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