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May 15th 2014

Toronto & East York Community Council
12th Floor, West Tower, 100 Queen St. W.
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Re: Inclusion on agenda for Festival of Municipal Significance request

Dear Toronto & East York Community Council;

The Fringe of Toronto Theatre Festival has been an integral part of the Toronto theatre community for the past twenty-five years, and we are in the planning stages of 26th year for the Festival this July. Now part of our annual activities, shortly after we will be planning our 8th year for our winter festival.

The Next Stage Theatre Festival is designed to provide another performance opportunity to Fringe alumni who have achieved a high level of artistic and critical success. The festival's 8th instalment will take place at the Factory Theatre from January 7th – 18th, 2015 and will feature ten theatre productions. Similar to the Fringe Festival, we hope to create an exciting festival atmosphere and as part of our event we will be setting up a heated outdoor patio area where the patrons and performers will be able to gather and share their thoughts about the productions in the festival.

I am writing on behalf of The Fringe of Toronto Theatre Festival to request that the Toronto & East York Community Council declare that our event "is of municipal and/or community significance" as well as a notice of Municipal Clerk/NON OBJECTION at the upcoming Toronto & East York Community Council meeting. This declaration is required so that we may apply for and receive a liquor permit extension for the licensed outdoor patio area. The patio will be located at The Factory Theatre, 125 Bathurst St. (licensee #30047) and the hours of operation will be from 3:30pm to midnight on weeknights (Monday – Thursday), and 1pm to midnight on weekends (Friday – Sunday).

The Fringe of Toronto Theatre Festival has applied for and received this declaration from the City of Toronto for the last seven years and we are applying early under advisement as it is an election year. We look forward to a positive recommendation once again and to another successful festival in 2015.

Thank you for your assistance with this request and should you require any further information about our upcoming event, please don't hesitate to contact me at 416-966-1062, x9.

Sincerely,

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