



Toronto and East York Community Council
City Hall, 2nd Floor, West Toronto
100 Queen Street West
Toronto, Ontario M5H 2N2

May 29, 2015

**Re: Request to recognize TIFF as event of municipal significance
Request for temporary liquor license extensions until 4:00 am for host restaurants**

Dear Members of the Toronto East York Community Council,

I am writing to request that the Toronto International Film Festival, taking place from September 10-20, 2015, be **recognized as an event of municipal significance**.

Now in its 40th year, the Toronto International Film Festival leads Toronto's global media profile, and draws thousands of tourists to the city for an annual celebration of the best in Canadian and international cinema. With the ongoing support of the City of Toronto, TIFF has grown to become the world's largest public film festival, with an annual economic impact measured at \$189 million.

Since 1994, the Festival has been granted extensions on hours of operation for the service of alcohol in several locations. There have been no reports of incidents concerning disorderly conduct. I am respectfully requesting that the Community Council advise the Alcohol and Gaming Commission of Ontario that it has **no objection to requests for temporary liquor license extensions to 4:00 am for the following establishments:**

The Drake Hotel	1150 Queen Street West, Toronto	M6J 1J3	Ward 18
The Hoxton	69 Bathurst Street, Toronto	M5V 1M5	Ward 20
STORYS	11 Duncan Street, Toronto	M5H 3G6	Ward 20
Malaparte	350 King Street West, Toronto	M5V 3X5	Ward 20
HUSH Restaurant	303 King Street West, Toronto	M5V 1J5	Ward 20

On behalf of the board and staff of TIFF, I wish to thank you for your continued support of the Festival, and I hope that you will support this request. Please feel free to contact Ben Macintosh, Manager, Government and Foundation Relations, should you have any questions. Ben can be reached by phone at (416) 599-8433 ext. 2166, or by e-mail at bmacintosh@tiff.net.

With thanks,

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TIFF is a charitable organization with a mission to transform the way people see the world, through film.