

City Council**Notice of Motion**

MM20.12	ACTION			Ward:All
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**Support for Toronto Police Service at the 2016 Toronto Pride Parade -
by Councillor Justin J. Di Ciano, seconded by Councillor Jon Burnside**

** Notice of this Motion has been given.*

** This Motion is subject to referral to the Executive Committee. A two-thirds vote is required to waive referral.*

Recommendations

Councillor Justin J. Di Ciano, seconded by Councillor Jon Burnside, recommends that:

1. City Council re-affirm its support for the Toronto Police Service's participation in the Annual Toronto Pride Parade through its ability to provide a safe and inclusive atmosphere for residents and visitors, while participating fully in every aspect of this city-wide event.

Summary

Pride Toronto's overwhelming success in "uniting and empowering people with diverse sexual orientations, gender identities and expression" is a testament to the tolerance, understanding and compassion inherent within all Torontonians.

Toronto Pride and all Torontonians continue to lead the fight in discrimination for members of the LGBT community worldwide. Torontonians understand that discrimination ends when we move past exclusion and rejection of members within our society and embrace forgiveness dialogue and cooperation.

Since the inception of Toronto's Pride Parade, the Toronto Police Service has worked tirelessly to promote a safe and inclusive atmosphere that has enabled millions of global citizens to peacefully protest their fundamental rights and freedoms without fear of persecution or retribution.

"Pride Toronto brings people together to celebrate the history, courage and diversity of our community" and it is these tenets that are reflected in every Torontonian, every community group and every City Agency, Board and Commission.

Background Information (City Council)

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