



## Via Email and Hard Copy Hand-Delivered

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Toronto & East York Community Council Toronto City Hall 100 Queen Street West 2nd floor, West Tower Toronto, Ontario M5H 2N2

Attention: Ellen Devlin

Dear Ellen,

## Re: Toronto International Boat Show - January 2017

On behalf of the Board of Governors of Exhibition Place, this letter is to apply to have the Toronto International Boat Show held at Exhibition Place to be designated as an event of "Municipal Significance" for the purpose of being granted a Special Occasion Permit by the Alcohol and Gaming Commission of Ontario.

Would appreciate this request be submitted to the Toronto & East York Community Council meeting scheduled for November 15, 2016.

The Special Occasion permit will be for licenced areas within the Enercare Centre, located at 100 Princes' Blvd., and Ricoh Coliseum located at 45 Manitoba Drive, both at Exhibition Place, Toronto, Ontario, M6K 3C3.

The dates and hours of operation for the 2017 event are noted below:

Date	Hours
January 20 <sup>th</sup> (Preview Day)	2 pm to 8 pm
Saturdays (January 21 <sup>st</sup> and 28 <sup>th</sup> )	10 am to 7 pm
Sundays (January 22 <sup>nd</sup> and 29 <sup>th</sup> )	10 am to 6 pm
Monday to Friday (January 23 <sup>rd</sup> to 27 <sup>th</sup> )	11 am to 8 pm

The 59<sup>th</sup> Toronto International Boat Show is the largest Boat Show in Canada and is held annually in Toronto at Exhibition Place. There is significant impact to the City during the month of January each year wherein 10,000 hotel rooms are booked; restaurants filled to capacity; and an increase in general tourism.

Recreational boating annually represents more than \$26 billion in economic impact to Canada, with more than 52% of all Canadian boaters living in Ontario. Each year this event generates more than \$354 million in economic impact to the region, and during the last seven years the event has annually attracted more than 550 exhibitors, and an average attendance of 75,000 visitors. Up to \$80 million in sales is generated at the Toronto International Boat Show.





