October 26, 2017

Striking Committee  
12th Floor, West Tower, City Hall  
100 Queen Street West  
Toronto, ON M5H 2N2

Re: Item ST 14.11 Council Member Appointment to the Toronto and Region Conservation Authority Regional Watershed Alliance

Dear Striking Committee,

I am writing to request appointment to the Toronto and Region Conservation Authority Regional Watershed Alliance.

I have a great deal of interest in the important work done by the Toronto Regional Conservation Authority in the many ravines in our city. One of our significant ravine systems slices through the centre of my ward and provides beloved green spaces to Ward 31 constituents. A significant portion of the ravine is Taylor Creek Park where the City is conducting both a Taylor Massey Sub-watershed Master Plan and a Taylor Creek Park Management Plan. I have been pleased to work with the Toronto Regional Conservation Authority on this and other projects that affect this ravine.

For many years I was a member of the Don Watershed Regeneration Council, an earlier TRCA initiated Provincial-Municipal coalition with goals that were similar to those of this new alliance. I am able to bring that experience to further the work of this new organization in supporting their mandate to:

Create healthy watersheds and waterfront that achieve The Living City Vision of sustainable communities, regional biodiversity and healthy rivers and shorelines through advocacy, knowledge sharing and collective vision."

I also have a great deal of interest in the Ravine Bylaw and would welcome the opportunity to work together with the TRCA, through this new administrative body, on furthering the protection of these important ecological areas.

For all of these reasons and more I would be very pleased to represent the City’s interest on the Toronto and Region Conservation Authority Regional Watershed Alliance. Thank-you for considering my request.

Sincerely,

Councillor Janet Davis  
Ward 31, Beaches-East York