



Toronto, January 4, 2017

To: Office of the Clerk, City of Toronto

Re. Request for Municipal Significance designation & letter of Non-objection for the 2016 edition of Dundas West Fest.

This letter is to request a formal designation for our upcoming community festival, scheduled to take place on **June 3, 2017 from 11am to 12am**, as of municipal significance, for the following reasons:

- This is a unique collaboration between two Business Improvement Areas in Toronto (Dundas West BIA and Little Portugal BIA), which together represent over 300 local businesses of diverse sizes and types, with regards to the organization of a significant community engagement event;

- The area covered by this community event is 12 city blocks along Dundas Street West in Toronto, between Lansdowne Avenue in the west to Ossington Avenue in the east;

- It will be an occasion that brings together all local stakeholders, including (school & parents groups, faith groups, non-profit agencies, local business and residents associations, local arts groups, neighbourhood organizations, etc.), providing them all with an opportunity to participate, showcasing their work and themselves to their neighbours within the geographic area covered by our two BIAs and extending north and south from Dundas Street West.

Further, we respectfully request from City Council a **letter of non-objection** so that our BIA member businesses can extend their existing liquor serving licenses to create outdoor patio areas in front of their establishments on festival day. We have attached a list of all of the establishments for which we may request such temporary extensions.

For any information or clarification, please contact: Helder Ramos, Organizer, Dundas West Fest: dundaswestfest@gmail.com or 416-540-6750

Respectfully

Lubo Brezina, Chair
Dundas West BIA

Anabela Taborda, Chair
Little Portugal BIA

c.c. Office of Councillor Ana Bailão, Ward 18, Toronto
Office of Councillor Mike Layton, Ward 19, Toronto
Licensing and Registration, Alcohol and Gaming Commission of Ontario