ED27.6.1

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To:	Economic Development Committee; "Diamond, Sara"; Partners In Art; "Mimi Joh"
Cc:	"Lin, James"; "Kramer, Miriam"; "Jennifer Morton"; "Jane Brisebois"
Subject:	RE: Mobilizing Partners in Art on Public Art Motion
Date:	Sunday, February 25, 2018 11:49:13 AM
Attachments:	EDC ED 27.6.docx

Dear Ms. Martins, we write to you today as co-presidents of Partners in Art to submit the attached letter of support for the item, ED27.6, which will be considered by <u>Economic Development Committee</u> on March 1, 2018at 9:30 AM.

Partners in Art (PIA) is a volunteer-based, not-for-profit organization of 150 arts supporters in Toronto. Since our inception in 2002, PIA has raised over \$4.5 million, worked with 25 institutions and collaborated on over 60 projects.

We believe strongly that a vital public art program will make an indelible impact on the cultural and economic environment of this remarkable city.

Judy Jarvis & Jennifer Morton Co-Presidents, PIA



February 26, 2018

Nancy Martins 10th floor, West Tower, City Hall 100 Queen Street West Toronto, ON M5H 2N2 Via email to: edc@toronto.ca

Re: Item ED27.6 Redefining Public Art in Toronto

Dear Chair & Members of the Economic Development Committee:

As presidents of Partners in Art, we wish to express our enthusiastic support for a renewed vision for public art in Toronto.

As you may be aware, OCAD University and the University of Toronto's recent report, *Redefining Public Art in Toronto*, presents a number of findings and recommendations that will help make Toronto a leader in public art. As a proud advocate for arts and culture, we fully support the report's recommendations to renew our city's commitment to public art. The item for consideration sets in motion a review at the city to study how the report's recommendations can be implemented.

I urge you to support the recommendation, ensure that the review happens in a timely manner, and help make Toronto a vibrant international attraction and global leader in arts and culture.

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Sincerely,

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PIA champions contemporary art, artists, and organizations to provide thoughtful perspectives on our world.