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RE: PE26.7 Pollinator Protection Strategy

Dear Members of the Parks and Environment Committee:

I'm writing in support of the adoption of the Pollinator Strategy and its important actions to protect and enhance wildlife for pollinators in Toronto and connect communities to activities that foster natural pollinator habitats across the city.

At Park People, we have worked extensively with Patricia Landry from Parks, Forestry and Recreation on several pollinator gardens along the Green Line, which included creating new native plant habitat managed by community groups in several parks along the hydro corridor.

This year we are continuing with this program and will work collaboratively with Patricia to produce an online pollinator toolkit to share learnings from this work to spread information about how other communities can start and maintain pollinator habitat in their own neighbourhoods.

We hope that this committee and City Council approve the pollinator strategy and ensure that there is funding available for its actions going forward into the 2019 budget.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jake Tobin Garrett".

Jake Tobin Garrett
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