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To Economic and Community Development Committee,

This letter is in support of the Learn to Swim Pilot. This pilot enabled students at Nelson Mandela Park Public school to access swimming lessons at the Pam McConnell Aquatic Centre. Families at our school are very interested in their children being able to develop their confidence and swimming ability both for safety and health reasons, as well as, future employment possibilities with the City of Toronto.

Accessing lessons through the regular swim instruction offerings at the city of Toronto has been difficult for many families in our community and so there is a high level of community interest in this pilot program continuing and a solution to enable equity of access for families in our immediate community to regular swimming lessons at the centre.

The students who have participated in this program have asked for more sessions as they enjoyed it and feel their swimming skills, health and confidence have improved. We have many students who did not get a chance to participate who would like the opportunity.

Sincerely,

Erika Lloyd
Vice Principal

