Toronto and East York Community Council  
City Hall, 2nd Floor, West Toronto  
100 Queen Street West  
Toronto, ON, M5H 2N2  

May 10, 2019  

RE: Request to Recognize TIFF as an Event of Municipal Significance  
Request for Temporary Liquor License Extensions until 4:00 am for Host Restaurants  

Dear Members of the Toronto East York Community Council,  

I am writing to request that the Toronto International Film Festival, taking place from September 5-15, 2019, be recognized as an event of municipal significance.  

Now in its 44th year, the Toronto International Film Festival leads Toronto’s global media profile, and draws thousands of tourists to the city for an annual celebration of the best in Canadian and international cinema. With the ongoing support of the City of Toronto, TIFF has grown to become the world’s largest public film festival, with an annual economic impact last measured at $189 million. As you know, businesses in the hospitality sector are often interested in applying to the Alcohol and Gaming Commission of Ontario (AGCO) for an extension of their liquor serving hours from 2:00 am to 4:00 am during the Festival. Since 2008, the Commission has asked for letters of endorsement provided by TIFF in support of Festival-related events.  

In order to manage the volume of requests that we receive from the hospitality sector, TIFF has established a policy of limiting our endorsements to official partners and sponsors. Many events that take place during the Festival are run completely independently from TIFF, including studio parties, product launches and other celebrations. While these events may be in celebration of the Festival, TIFF does not participate in their planning or execution, and therefore we are not in a position to endorse their applications. We leave it with the AGCO to decide whether license extensions are warranted for such events on a case-by-case basis.  

At this time, I am enclosing a list of official TIFF hospitality partners that are directly involved with the 2019 Festival. On behalf of TIFF, I am pleased to officially endorse 4 am liquor license extensions for the establishments and companies on the attached lists, should they choose to make an application to the AGCO. We may also submit additional names later on in the summer.  

Please feel free to contact Amy Thind, Senior Coordinator, Government & Foundation Relations, should you have any questions. Amy can be reached by phone at (416) 599-8433 ext. 2540 or by e-mail at athind@tiff.net.  

Sincerely,  
Alan Convery  

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Toronto International Film Festival Inc. Charitable Registration # 11930 4541 RR0001
TIFF 2019 – Venues Requesting Endorsement Letter for AGCO 4am License Extension

The Purman (263 Adelaide Street West)
Cocktails Oysters Champagne & A Toi Bar & Lounge (214 King Street West, Suite B1)
The Queen Anne (287 Richmond Street West)
Bisha Hotel (80 Blue Jays Way)
Cactus Club Cafe (First Canadian Place, 77 Adelaide Street West)
Dog & Bear (1100 Queen Street West)
Fairmont Royal York (100 Front Street West)
Walrus (187 Bay Street)
Belfast Love (548 King Street)
Roy Thomson Hall (60 Simcoe Street)
Princess of Wales Theatre (300 King Street West)
Scotiabank Theatre Toronto (259 Richmond Street West)
Eglinton and Winter Garden Theatre Centre (185 Yonge Street)
Glenn Gould Studio (250 Front Street West)
Fox on John (106 John Street)
STK Yorkville (153 Yorkville Avenue)
Hyatt Regency Toronto (370 King Street West)
Intercontinental Toronto Centre (225 Front Street West)
Azure (225 Front Street West)
Drake One Fifty (150 York Street)
The Drake Mini Bar (150 York Street)
The Drake Hotel (1150 Queen Street West)
Escape Manor (383 King Street West)
The Great Hall (1087 Queen Street West)
Ricardas (134 Peter Street)
The Ritz-Carlton Toronto (181 Wellington Street West)
Shangri-La Hotel Toronto (188 University Avenue)
Bosk (188 University Avenue)
Roxy on King (284A King Street West)
St. Regis Hotel Toronto (325 Bay Street)
Louix Louis (325 Bay Street)
Soho House (192 Adelaide Street West)
The Shore Club (155 Wellington Street West)
The Spoke Club (600 King Street West)
The Thompson Hotel & Park Room (550 Wellington Street West)
Door Three (667 King Street West)
TIFF Bell Lightbox (350 King Street West)
Baro (485 King Street West)

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Zebu Steak + Bar (132 John Street)
La Fenice (319 King Street West)

Boiler House Management Inc. Venues:
The Fifth Pubhouse (221 Richmond Street West)
The Fifth & Terrace (225 Richmond Street West)
The Fifth Social Club (225 Richmond Street West)

Capture Group Venues:
Everleigh (580 King Street West)
Portland Variety (587 King Street West)

IconInk Venues:
Byblos (11 Duncan Street)
Storys (11 Duncan Street)
Kost (80 Blue Jays Way, 44th Floor)
Mira (420A Wellington Street West)
Weslodge (480 King Street West)
Patria (478 King Street West)
Figo (295 Adelaide Street West)

Liberty Entertainment Group Venues:
Cibo Wine Bar King Street West (522 King Street West)
Cibo Wine Bar Yorkville (133 Yorkville Ave, Toronto ON)
Casa Loma (1 Austin Terrace)
Don Alfonso 1890 (19 Toronto Street)
Arcane (461 King Street West)
Xango (461 King Street West)

Oliver & Bonacini Venues:
Canteen (350 King Street West)
Luma (350 King Street West)
Malaparte (350 King Street West)

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