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Date: March 7, 2023

To: Councillor Shelly Carroll, Chair and Economic and Community Development Committee Members

Re: Night Economy Manifesto

Recommendation

1. Economic and Community Development Committee request the General Manager of Economic and Culture to report back to the Economic and Community Development Committee on May 31, 2023 on the City of Toronto becoming a signatory to the Night Mayor Manifesto.

Background

As the Night Economy Champion, I am working with Economic Development and Culture to ensure the City of Toronto fulfills its mandate to modernize and clarify the rules to provide flexibility and support for businesses, while ensuring an appropriate level of regulatory oversight to mitigate any potential community nuisance and public safety issues.

As we move the directive forward, it is important that the City of Toronto join other cities worldwide in signing the Nighttime Manifesto, symbolizing a global commitment to raising the awareness around the importance of nightlife <https://www.nighttime.org/manifesto/?s=01>. Some of the supporting cities include, Antwerp, Bangkok, Belfast, Berlin, Durban, Johannesburg, Malmö, Montreal, New York, São Paulo, and Singapore.

The Manifesto, was created “*as a collaborative reaction from nighttime communities who have reflected on the unifying core values of nightlife and developed a shared vision for the future.*” “*represents a united commitment to creating a safer, more sustainable and resilient nightlife.*”

The Manifesto outlines objectives to “*Involve different partners and stakeholders to bridge gaps, raise awareness, and build stronger representation for nighttime communities.*”

I look forward to your support.

Sincerely,

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