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Toronto City Hall Executive Committee 100 Queen Street West Toronto, ON M5H 2N2

RE: EX4.10 - Transit Priority Measures to Support Scarborough SRT Bus Replacement

Dear Vice Chair McKevie and Members of the Executive Committee,

Cycle Toronto is committed to helping the city meet its ambitious TransformTO's target of moving 75% of all trips under 5 km by active modes of transportation such as public transit, walking and biking by 2030. In order to achieve this goal, it is imperative that Torontonians have equitable access to convenient, connected, and affordable public transportation options.

We are writing in support of the recommendations outlined in EX4.10, by the General Manager, Transportation Services. As the replacement for the Scarborough RT undergoes construction, it is critical that an efficient bus service replacement includes the implementation of RapidTO priority bus lanes so that transit riders who rely on Line 3 will not be stuck in traffic.

Giving people access to safe and convenient public transportation is essential to meeting our climate action goals as well as ensuring that all Torontonians have equitable access to City services, especially for Indigenous, Black, low income and equity-seeking groups, which are disproportionately located in the suburbs which rely on bus service.

Thank you for your consideration in this matter.

Sincerely,

Alison Stewart Interim Co-Executive Director, Advocacy and Public Policy Cycle Toronto

Cycle Toronto is a charity that works to make Toronto a safe, healthy, and vibrant cycling city.