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To members of the Executive Committee:

Re: 2023.EX6.23 MM7.17 Graphic Image Delivery

I am writing in support of Member Motion 7.17 being considered by Executive Committee related to Graphic Image Delivery.

I am supportive of the motion. I am particularly supportive of the recommendation for a proposal for how to govern the display of graphic disturbing images in the public right-of-way.

Throughout May and June of this year, staff and students from every TDSB high school in the ward that I represent were subjected to graphic imagery around the perimeter of the school while seeking to enter school.

Students should not be subjected to this traumatic imagery while seeking to enter and exit buildings to access their right to education. These students – minors - have a right to go to school under Ontario's Education Act. They should be able to enter and leave school buildings to access their right to education safely and free from trauma.

While the imagery is being placed off school property, it is being strategically placed in the public



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right-of-way (for example, city sidewalks adjacent to school entrances) so that students and all who work or visit a school are unable to enter or leave school grounds without being subjected to these images.

I appreciate that this motion has been brought forward and look forward the proposed report on how to govern the display of graphic disturbing images around public schools in particular.

Regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Sara Ehrhardt'.

Sara Ehrhardt
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