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Mayor Olivia Chow and Councillor Jamaal Myers  
Toronto City Hall  
100 Queen Street West, Suite A8  
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Dear Mayor Chow and Councillors:

**Re: Support for Proposed Park Improvement Initiative of Muirlands Park in Scarborough North – MM8.24**

I am writing in strong support of the proposed park improvement initiative of Muirlands Park. Over the last several months, Councillor Myers and his staff have engaged with our Divine Infant Catholic School parents and their children who live adjacent to Muirlands Park about planned capital park improvements.

As the TCDSB Trustee of Scarborough North (Ward 8), I firmly believe that enhancing our local park will not only bring numerous benefits to our residents and students from both The Divine Infant Catholic and Macklin Public School but also foster a stronger sense of community and well-being. I wholeheartedly support a community-led revitalization of Muirlands Park as residents can participate responsibly in the governance & ongoing care of their local parks.

Over a hundred residents of all ages and ethnicities attended a community town hall meeting on July 5<sup>th</sup>, which was co-hosted by Councillor Jamaal Myers and my colleague, Toronto District School Board Trustee Yalini Rajakulasingam, and with the support of the school principals from both schools.

While attendees were most interested in basketball, residents expressed similar levels of interest in multiple other options: accessible pathways and trails, BBQ pits, green gyms, playground equipment, skate trails, splash pads, shelters, seating, tennis, and trees.

I strongly feel that the plan for capital park improvements is long overdue and will effectively serve the needs of the families and students of the Scarborough North area.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Garry Tanuan".

**Garry Tanuan**  
TCDSB Trustee, Ward 8

cc: Minister Raymond Cho, Scarborough North  
MP Shaun Chen, Scarborough North  
Divine Infant Catholic School Principal Carol-Ann Copps  
Divine Infant Catholic School Parent Council Co-Chair Elaine Bravo  
Divine Infant Catholic School Parent Council Co-Chair Eireen Madrianga