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City Clerk's Office
Toronto City Hall
100 Queen Street West
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Dear Mayor and City Council:

RE: Billy Bishop Toronto City Airport future operations - IE15.2 - Toronto Island Park Master Plan – Section 4.6 Airport Lands

The success of Porter Airlines is intrinsically tied to Billy Bishop Toronto City Airport. In 2006, we started operating from there and have maintained our presence as the focal point of a regional flight network connecting key cities throughout Eastern Canada and the U.S.

At the time, some questioned our ability to compete against larger carriers; the airport's viability for commercial service; and passengers' desire to choose a secondary airport, among other points.

Since then, the airport has flourished. Porter has grown to become a national airline; greater than 20 non-stop routes have been served; and passengers in the millions use it every year. Billy Bishop Airport and Porter have achieved international recognition that serves to support Toronto's global reputation.

This success occurred because Porter and other stakeholders chose to believe in a future that has brought our city what I believe is the world's best urban airport. It required investment and commitment to revive a key piece of transportation infrastructure that had incredible unrealized potential.

However, success should never be taken for granted. It must be nurtured to continue thriving.

This is very much the case with Billy Bishop Airport. There is a great opportunity to be part of modernizing a decades-old operating agreement, which served a purpose in that past era. Now is the time to position the airport for a future where it can continue serving the city, province and country. Porter very much intends to be part of this.

Sincerely,



Michael Deluce
Chief Executive Officer