<u>Tyler Versluis</u>
Councillor Moise
Mayor Chow; Budget Committee
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Dear Councillor Moise,

My name is Tyler Versluis, and I am President of the Canadian League of Composers. Our organisation, located at 20 St. Joseph Street in Toronto, represents over 600 composers and sound artists nationwide.

We are contacting you to voice our support for an increase to Toronto Arts Council's budget by \$2 million. Toronto is a city of artists and musicians, and the arts scene naturally flourishes thanks to the work of the TAC and the city council that has supported it over the years.

The cost of living continues to be a struggle for many artists in this city, and as a result of this, a 2 million dollar increase to the Toronto Arts Council is sorely needed to continue arts work in Toronto, especially considering the TAC has received no significant core increase to its budget in 5 years.

Thank you kindly for your time.

Sincerely,

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