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To: Toronto Public Library Board – May 15, 2006

From: City Librarian

Subject: **Communications**

Purpose:

To provide the Toronto Public Library Board with communications of pertinence to it.

Funding Implications and Impact Statement:

Not applicable.

Recommendation:

It is recommended that the Toronto Public Library Board:

- (1) receive Communication Items (a), (b), and (c) for information:
 - (a) Letter to Library Chair, dated April 18, 2006, from The Honourable Caroline Di Cocco, Minister of Culture, advising of the Province's provision of several one-time funding initiatives for Ontario's library community.
 - (b) Letter to The Honourable Caroline Di Cocco, Minister of Culture, dated May 1, 2006, from William Booth, Chair, Toronto Public Library Board, responding to the Minister's April 18, 2006 letter of introduction [see (a) above].
 - (c) Letter to The Honourable Lawrence Cannon, Minister of Transport, Infrastructure and Communities, and The Honourable James M. Flaherty, Minister of Finance, dated May 8, 2006, from William Booth, Chair, Toronto Public Library Board, requesting the inclusion of public libraries as eligible organizations in the distribution of federal infrastructure funding. The letter is in response to a request made by the Regina Public Library Board [see Communication (c) – April 18, 2006 Toronto Public Library Board meeting].
- (2) authorize staff to forward Communication Item (d) to the Mayor's Office:
 - (a) Letter to Mayor David Miller, City of Toronto, dated May 1, 2006, from William Booth, Chair, Toronto Public Library Board, requesting that Library Staff present *Toronto Public Library – A Vision for Branch Open Hours* to the June 20, 2006 meeting of the Policy and Finance Committee.

Comments:

The subject matter of the Communications to the Board for the May 15, 2006 meeting is provided in Recommendations above.

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List of Attachments:

- (a) Letter to Library Chair dated April 18, 2006
- (b) Letter to The Honourable Caroline Di Cocco dated May 1, 2006
- (c) Letter to The Honourable Lawrence Cannon and The Honourable James M. Flaherty dated May 8, 2006
- (d) Letter to Mayor David Miller dated May 16, 2006