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To: Toronto Public Library Board – September 20, 2004

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) - (j) for information; and
- (2) direct Library staff to prepare a response concerning Communication Item (e).

Summary of Correspondence Attached to this Report:

- (a) Letter to Gillian Mason, Chair, Toronto Public Library Board, dated June 3, 2004, from Andrea Rosen, President, TD Canada Trust, congratulating the Library on winning the City Livability Award from the Canadian Urban Institute.

Action: Receive for information.

- (b) Report to the Toronto Public Library Board from Mizan Ibrahim, Toronto Public Library Board member, concerning the June 17 – 19, 2004 Canadian Library Association Conference in Victoria, British Columbia.

Action: Receive for information.

- (c) Letter to Eric Gam, Co-Chair, Strong Neighbourhoods Task Force, City of Toronto, dated July 16, 2004, from Gillian Mason, Chair, Toronto Public Library Board, requesting consideration of Library Board member participation on the Strong Neighbourhoods Task Force.

Action: Receive for information.

- (d) Letter to Gillian Mason, Chair, Toronto Public Library Board, dated August 31, 2004, from Eric Gam, Commissioner, Community and Neighbourhood Services, City of Toronto and Co-Chair, Strong Neighbourhoods Task Force, in response to the Chair's letter of July 16, 2004 [see (c) above]. The Chair's request for Library Board member participation on the Strong Neighbourhoods Task Force cannot be accommodated by the Task Force.

Action: Receive for information.

- (e) Letter to Nancy Marshall, Administrative Coordinator, dated August 3, 2004, from Joan Sweny, regarding alternative service during the reconstruction of the Morningside branch.

Action: Receive and direct Library staff to prepare a response.

- (f) Letter to Josephine Bryant, City Librarian and Gillian Mason, Chair, Toronto Public Library Board, dated August 27, 2004, from Paula Fletcher, City Councillor, Ward 30, expressing appreciation and support for the Library's 2004 – 2007 Strategic Plan.

Action: Receive for information.

- (g) Letter to Chairs of Agencies, Boards and Commissions dated August 30, 2004, from Mayor David Miller concerning the recent publication of the Information and Privacy Commissioner's 2003 Annual Report on the administration of the Municipal Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act.

Action: Receive for information.

- (h) Copy of a letter to Josephine Bryant, City Librarian, dated September 1, 2004, from Kevin Costante, Deputy Minister, Ministry of Community and Social Services, expressing appreciation and support for the Library's 2004 – 2007 Strategic Plan.

Action: Receive for information.

- (i) Letter to Gillian Mason, Chair, Toronto Public Library Board, dated September 7, 2004, from Reg Alcock, President of the Treasury Board and Minister responsible for the Canadian Wheat Board, regarding the Sustaining Canada's Digital Capacity: an Urban Library Strategy to Sustain Socially Inclusive ICT Network proposal.

Action: Receive for information.

- (j) Report to the Toronto Public Library Board dated September 12, 2004, from Meyer Brownstone, TPL Board representative to the Ontario Library Boards' Association (OLBA), concerning the OLBA Council meeting of September 11, 2004.

Action: Receive for information.

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List of Attachments:

- (a) Letter from Andrea Rosen dated June 3, 2004
- (b) Report from Mizan Ibrahim regarding June 2004 CLA Conference
- (c) Letter from Gillian Mason dated July 16, 2004
- (d) Letter from Eric Gam dated August 31, 2004
- (e) Letter from Joan Sweny dated August 3, 2004
- (f) Letter from Paula Fletcher dated August 27, 2004
- (g) Letter from Mayor David Miller dated August 30, 2004
- (h) Letter from Kevin Costante dated September 1, 2004
- (i) Letter from Reg Alcock dated September 7, 2004
- (j) Report from Meyer Brownstone dated September 12, 2004