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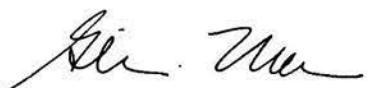
Dear Eric:

At the June 24, 2004 meeting of the Toronto Public Library Board, Library staff were directed to investigate the appointment of a Library Board member to the City of Toronto's Strong Neighbourhoods Task Force. As a Co-Chair for the Task Force, I would appreciate your guidance in determining whether there is an opportunity for Library Board participation on the Task Force at this time. As you are aware, the Library is represented on the Task Force's Interdepartmental Reference Group by Jane Pyper, Director, Planning, Policy and City-Wide Services.

The Library's vision of connecting people to each other and to their community is an excellent fit with the Strong Neighbourhoods Task Force's vision for the City. The citizen members who volunteer on the Library Board represent a cross section of Toronto residents who share a commitment to the well being of the City as outlined in the membership mandate of the Task Force.

Thank you for your consideration of the Toronto Public Library Board's request.

Yours truly,



Gillian Mason  
Chair

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