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CITY WILL APPROVE 2017 FUNDING FOR THE CHILD OCCUPANCY GRANT

Good news!!

First and for most I want to thank all of you who have circulated a petition in support of the "City's Occupancy Grant" and for rallying support behind me on this very important matter.

During the last few weeks, throughout the budget consultation process, I have been putting tremendous pressure on the City's Administration and Budget Committee members to reverse their decision on the occupancy grant; there is no question that when we work together good things happen.

Mayor John Tory made an announcement this morning, (prior to the Executive Committee meeting on Tuesday February 7th, 2017) stating that the grant will be **approved**. I will remain vigilant and urge City Council to turn the pressure onto the province to pick up the costs of childcare and antiquated subsidies.

I want you to know that I will do everything in my power to ensure that Council does the right thing - I will continue to voice your concerns to influence change on this at high level! Affordable daycare, I believe is one of the best investments our Governments can make for our children.

Sincerely,

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