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To: Toronto City Councillors on the Budget Committee and TPL Board Re: TPL – Vision and Reinvestment

It is time to create a long term Vision for the Toronto Public Library which recognizes the importance that the TPL plays in the cultural, social and economic life of our city.

It is time to make a reinvestment in the TPL which recognizes its world class reputation.

Since amalgamation in 1998, the TPL has absorbed more than \$800 million in cumulative funding cuts.

Since 2005, the TPL budget has barely kept pace with inflation and is last among major city services in new investment by the city.

All this has resulted in a severely compromised collection and a major reduction in service and access for TPL users.

If this situation continues, it will have long term negative and serious consequences for Toronto and its citizens.

This is completely unacceptable.

I demand that you, Councillors on the Budget Committee and TPL Board, make a commitment to rectify this deplorable state at the TPL by creating a positive and long term Vision for it and making the investment necessary to accomplish it.

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