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From the Office of the President

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To: The Board of Governors of Exhibition Place

From: C.R. (Bob) MacWilliam
President, CNEA

Subject: **Review of 1998 Program Development Concept Plan**

Recommendation:

It is recommended that the Board of Governors:

- (1) Consider the following amendments to the draft 2004 Concept Plan for Exhibition Place:**
 - (a) oppose any residential housing on Exhibition Place lands or lands contiguous to Exhibition Place south of the Gardiner Transportation corridor; and**
 - (b) oppose any year-round commercial retail at Exhibition Place; and**
- (2) Further that the CNEA wishes to reiterate its position that removal of the Food Building without provision for a suitable facility would be detrimental to the Fair given that this building is an integral part of the annual Canadian National Exhibition**

Background:

In an effort to consider and make any recommendations with respect to the Concept Plan for Exhibition Place in time for the Board of Governors meeting of April 30th, the CNEA Board held a special meeting on April 19, 2004 to consider a report dated March 30, 2004 from the General Manager & CEO of Exhibition Place entitled "Review of 1998 Program Development Concept Plan".

Discussion:

In addition to the above-noted recommendations of the CNEA Board of Directors, the following minor changes were discussed and Exhibition Place staff agreed to incorporate them into the draft 2004 Concept Plan for Exhibition Place:

- Paragraph (c) under the Evaluation Criteria be more reflective or equivalent to that of paragraph (a) under the Guiding Principles with regard to the status of the annual CNE and Royal Agricultural Winter Fair; and
- While the CNEA Board supports, in principle, City Council's efforts in extending the Harbourfront Light Rapid Transit Line the study required in paragraph 5.10 for development of the Food Building site also be required if there is to be any impact on the Food Building because of the construction of the LRT.

Conclusion:

This report requests that the Board of Governors consider amendments to the 2004 Concept Plan.

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