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17 August 2012

Dear Frank
Your Worship:

Thank you very much for the opportunity to spend Canada Day with the new City of Markham! Helping Markham celebrate two milestones made for a very special holiday, indeed.

Please accept my best wishes.

Yours sincerely,

David C. Onley

His Worship, Frank Scarpitti
Mayor
Markham Civic Centre
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July 27, 2012

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His Worship Frank Scarpitti
Mayor
Town of Markham
Anthony Roman Centre
101 Town Centre Boulevard
Markham, Ontario
L3R 9W3

Dear Mayor Scarpitti:

Thank you for your letter of June 8 regarding council's resolution about city status for Markham. I am always pleased to hear from our municipal leaders, and I appreciate your sharing information about Markham's recent name change.

I note that you have sent a copy of your letter to my colleague the Honourable Kathleen Wynne, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing. I trust that the minister will also take interest in your correspondence.

Thank you again for the information. I wish you and your colleagues much continued success. Please accept my best wishes.

Yours truly,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Dalton McGuinty".

Dalton McGuinty
Premier

c: The Honourable Kathleen Wynne



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September 19, 2012

His Worship Frank Scarpitti
Mayor
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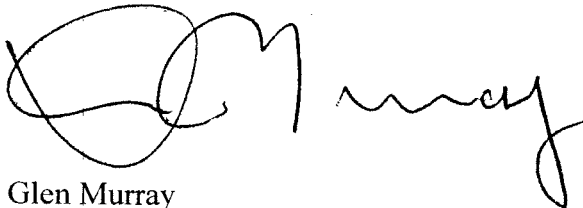
Dear Mayor ~~Frank~~ Scarpitti,

Thank you for sending me your 2011 Annual Report *Markham, A Thriving City*. Allow me to congratulate you on the recent designation of Markham as a city.

I appreciated reading about the new City of Markham's accomplishments. Your municipality's achievements in diversity, growth, sustainability and protecting your heritage more than support this change. I was also impressed by Markham's awards and other accomplishments in the areas of fiscal management and transparency. The initiative shown by the City of Markham will set the pace for other municipalities in Ontario.

I am certain your citizens are proud of their city's accomplishments and look forward to further achievements. Please accept my best wishes for the further success of the City of Markham.

Sincerely,



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Member of Parliament for Vaughan

July 12, 2012

Mayor Frank Scarpitti
City of Markham
101 Town Centre Boulevard
Markham, Ontario L3R 9W3

Dear Mayor Scarpitti,

I would like to take this opportunity to congratulate you as Mayor of Markham as well as your residents on the official dedication of Markham as Ontario's newest city. It is with regret that I was unable to participate in the festivities which took place on July 1, 2012 due to my commitments abroad as I very much would have liked to be there.

The prosperity of Markham is without a doubt due in large measure to the leadership you have provided to your council, administration and residents. Markham and Vaughan share many common qualities; among them our commitment to the value of community, strength of diversity and the integrity to boldly lead our respective municipalities forward amidst growth and economic fluctuation.

The City of Markham's storied past now has a very bright future to look forward to. Along with the City of Vaughan, I know that Markham will contribute greatly to the future success and further growth of the GTA.

I look forward to continuing to work together in our respective capacities.

With best wishes and personal regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'J. Fantino'.

Hon. Julian Fantino P.C., M.P.
Vaughan



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June 28, 2012

Mayor Frank Scarpitti
Town of Markham
101 Town Centre Boulevard
Markham, ON L3R 9W3

Dear Mayor Scarpitti:

It has been known for some time now that Markham was already operating as a city in everything but name and is the 16th largest city in Canada!

Markham has become a thriving, vibrant, diverse community attracting many significant businesses and well over 300,000 residents.

I wish to Congratulate you and Council on all of your present and past hard work, efforts and decisions and for becoming a "City", and what better day to celebrate this than on Canada Day!

Most Sincerely,

Vito Spatafora, Deputy Mayor
Regional & Local Councillor

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July 2012

"What is the city but the people?"

William Shakespeare



Dear Mayor Scarpitti,

Congratulations on becoming Canada's
newest city.

I am confident that the City of Markham
will continue to bring pride to the name
as you embrace future challenges while
remembering your roots.

Best wishes to your city.

Harold Albrecht, MP
Kitchener-Conestoga



You belong.

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Jobert Sevileno | President and CEO

Andrew Chung | Associate Conductor
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Monday, July 16, 2012

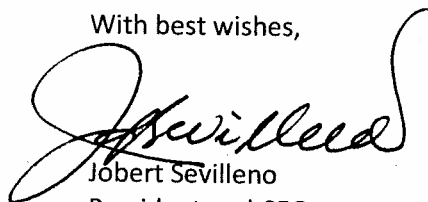
Dear Mr. Scarpitti,

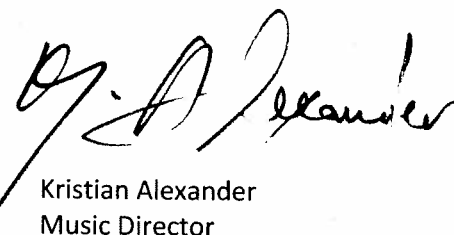
On behalf of the Kindred Spirits Orchestra musicians, staff, management, and volunteers, I would like to share our excitement about changing the status of Markham from a town to a city.

We congratulate you on successfully leading our growing community to an even higher level of international recognition.

We look forward to continue making our contribution towards the development of arts and culture in the city and thank you for your continuous support.

With best wishes,


Jobert Sevileno
President and CEO


Kristian Alexander
Music Director

Mr. Frank Scarpitti
Mayor of Markham
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June 6, 2012

His Worship Frank Scarpitti
Mayor
Town of Markham
Anthony Roman Centre
101 Town Centre Boulevard
Markham, Ontario
L3R 9W3

Dear Mayor Scarpitti,

On behalf of Taipei Economic and Cultural Office, I want to extend to you our heartfelt congratulations for the name change from Town of Markham to City of Markham.

Your city richly deserves the change, as Markham is already Canada's 16th largest city with 310,000 inhabitants populated therein. Also, Markham's booming economy makes it a prosperous and shining star in Canada, and that should have a proper name as City.

I wish you continue to achieve great success in your future endeavors.

Sincerely yours,



Winston Wen-yi Chen
Director-General



JULY 1ST. 2012

Your Worship & Honoured Council,

I AM SENDING GREETINGS FOR CANADA DAY AND
EXTEND WARMEST CONGRATULATION ON THE NEW STATUS

City of Markham.

ANNO DOMINI 2012 SEEMS TO BE "THE GOLDEN YEAR OF MARKHAM".
THE PLANNING AND REALISATION OF THE "SPORT & CULTURAL CENTRE",
THE RISE IN STATUS TO "CITY", THE OVERDUE DEMAND FOR A TELEVISION
STATION, A DAILY NEWSPAPER AND A RADIO STATION, AND THE INEVI-
TABLE VISION OF AN ALMA MATER ARE THE UNMISTAKABLE SIGNS OF
THE GROWING FUTURE GREATNESS OF THE CITY OF MARKHAM.

AS WE REMEMBER THE ONLY MILITARY CONFLICT ON OUR
OWN SOIL, THE WAR OF 1812, WE RECOGNIZE WITH PRIDE THAT CANADA
IS THE MOST PEACE-LOVING NATION ON EARTH! MAY WE REMAIN A
SHINING EXAMPLE FOR THE WORLD, FOR MANY GENERATIONS.

Vivat · Crescat · Floreat Markham!

PLEASE ACCEPT MY VERY BEST WISHES FOR A MOST MEMORABLE
CANADA DAY!

SINCERELY,
Aksel Rinck

AKSEL RINCK

DER OBERBÜRGERMEISTER
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June, 14th 2012/bk

Mr. Frank Scarpitti
Mayor
Town of Markham
Anthony Roman Centre
101 Town Centre Boulevard
Markham, Ontario L3R 9W3
CANADA

Markham becomes a city

Dear Mayor Scarpitti,

We were very pleased to hear that the town of Markham was upgraded in the status to a city.

I would like to express my heartfelt congratulations to all of the council members and all of its citizens both personally and on behalf of the town of Nördlingen. The designation "City" reflects the enormous growth of Markham, especially in economical terms. Markham has therefore grown from a small town to a big city. Our appreciation and admiration goes to all of those responsible, who were able to play a part in this great development over the last decades.

The town of Nördlingen is proud to be twinned with the City of Markham.

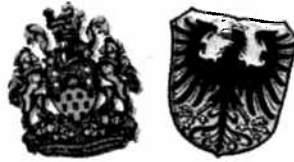
We wish your city continued success for the future and we are certain that Markham will furthermore consolidate and intensify its excellent reputation as "Canada's high-tech capital".

I am already looking forward to our next meeting and again send you heartfelt congratulations from Nördlingen.

Yours,

Hermann Faul
Mayor

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Mr. Frank Scarpitti
Mayor
and Council of Markham
101 Town Centre Boulevard
Markham, Ontario, L3R9W3
Canada

June 12, 2012

Dear Mr. Mayor and Council:

The Friends of Markham, Nördlingen, bring you greetings for Canada Day and congratulation to the new status of CITY OF MARKHAM. We recognize this is a very important day for the citizens of Markham and Canada as it represents the founding of your great nation in 1867. There have been many changes in the last one hundred and forty five years that has brought your country and the people of Markham from a pioneering nation to recognition on the world stage.

You are also recognizing the start of your only military conflict, the War of 1812. As we indicated in our Cultural Partnership Agreement of 2001 one of the purposes of our efforts to encourage the exchange of our people is to promote peace within our respective countries. You are so fortunate to have been saved from military conflict on your lands for the past 200 years. May this continue for many more generations.

As a group we think of you often as we work to promote the exchange of people between our two communities. We look forward to an exchange of students between our secondary schools in the not too distant future. We are also looking forward to visits from some of your citizens during our Ringwall Festival in September 2013. We hope you will continue to encourage residents to visit as in their travels to Europe. Please encourage them to identify themselves as being from Markham so we can acknowledge them.

Again, enjoy your celebrations for Canada Day. We know this is an outstanding event at Milne Park that is enjoyed by so many of your diverse population.

Sincerely yours

Carolin Schober-Mittring
Chairperson