

From: Usher, Harold
Sent: Monday, September 26, 2011 12:08 PM
To: Mercier, Betty
Cc: Fontana, Joe; Rowe, Linda
Subject: For CNC Agenda - Banana hurling incident at the John Labatt Centre

Hi Betty,

Please add this Item to the CNC Agenda for Tomorrow.

A Racist Gesture on Thursday September 22, 2011 by someone hurling a BANANA at a Black Hockey Player (Canadian born Wayne Simmonds playing for the Philadelphia Flyers of the National Hockey League) at the John Labatt Centre in London thrusts the City of London a harsh Spotlight, internationally. This should not go by in SILENCE and the City, perhaps in partnership with its London Diversity and Race Relations Advisory Committee, the Police, and its "Illumination of Hate" Resources at LUSO, needs to come up with some action or statement to advise that such behaviour will not be tolerated in London.

Attach the Mayor's letter.

Warmest personal regards,

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