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PRESS RELEASE: NoJetsTO Condemns Premier Ford and Ports Toronto shutting Torontonians out of the airport debate

Today, in the latest of off the cuff announcements about the island airport made by Premier Doug Ford, Ford announced that he plans to steal the island airport land away from the City of Toronto, effectively shutting out Torontonians from the island airport debate.

“Torontonians deserve to have their say on an airport plans that would affect the waterfront and the city at large”, noted NoJetsTO Chair Norm Di Pasquale. “Ford’s thoughtless decision to steal city land at the airport shuts Torontonians out of a debate that could have disastrous effects for our revitalized waterfront”.

Toronto is a signatory to the Island Airport Tripartite Agreement with the Federal Government and Ports Toronto, which has governed operations at the airport for over 40 years. This agreement has served the city, the Federal Government and we think Ports Toronto well, and condemn Ports Toronto’s letter to the Province requesting governance changes at the airport.

“Toronto can be found directly In the name of Ports Toronto, why would Ports Toronto move to join Premier Ford in shutting Torontonians out?” Asked Norm Di Pasquale. “We also note that Ports Toronto’s Community Liaison Committees have gone dormant. Does Ports Toronto care about the effect the airport has on the community?”

NoJetsTO calls on the Government of Ontario to abandon this plan and allow Torontonians to have their say on the airport.

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About NoJetsTO

NoJetsTO is an organization of concerned citizens dedicated to preserving Toronto’s mixed use waterfront with a regional airport without jets.