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MAYOR FENNELL TO SPEAK AT CONVENTION IN WASHINGTON

BRAMPTON, ON: Brampton Mayor Susan Fennell is travelling to Washington, D.C. this week to participate in the Third Annual Transportation and Infrastructure Convention. The convention is a forum for discussions on multi-modal transportation planning, investment, and development.

As part of the convention, Mayor Fennell will sit on an international panel to provide both a Canadian and municipal perspective on the transportation of goods and cross-border trade.

“The movement of goods through our communities not only affects the economy, but the environment, infrastructure and our quality of life.” says Mayor Susan Fennell “I am pleased to bring a Canadian and Brampton perspective”. Mayor Fennell will also use this opportunity to promote Brampton as a logistics hub and in-land port, and to foster relationships that can be used to expand the City’s business community.

Joining her on the panel will be speakers from Spain, France, Taiwan, Germany and the United States (U.S.). Other presenters at the convention include elected representatives from the U.S. Congress, senior officials from federal U.S. departments, and representatives from both the Panama and Suez Canal Authorities.

This rare opportunity in the U.S. capital comes as a result of presentations the Mayor has delivered to the Annual Transportation and Infrastructure Summit in Irving, Texas.

About Brampton: The 11th largest city in Canada, Brampton has a successful, well-diversified economy and is home to more than 8,200 businesses. The City continues to retain a Triple ‘A’ credit rating by Standard & Poor for the third consecutive year, reflecting its debt-free position, exceptional liquidity levels and excellent economy. The City’s 2010 operating budget is \$408.2 million with a capital budget of \$241.4 million. Brampton celebrates its diverse population that represents people from more than 175 distinct ethnic backgrounds who speak over 70 different languages. Offering more than 6,000 acres of parkland, Brampton takes pride in being the Flower City of Canada and won the 2008 International Communities in Bloom competition. It is also the first city in the GTA and one of only 10 in North America to have been designated as an International Safe Community by the World Health Organization. For more information visit www.brampton.ca

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