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STRONG SHOWING FOR BRAMPTON IN 2011 CENSUS SIGNALS CITY'S VITALITY

BRAMPTON – The City of Brampton is well prepared for the growth figures confirmed in the Statistics Canada release of census data gathered from all Canadian households in May 2011.

According to the census, Brampton is now the ninth largest city in Canada – moving past Hamilton and Quebec City. It is the fourth largest city in Ontario – behind Toronto, Ottawa and Mississauga.

“The census results do not come as a surprise. Brampton is a desirable place to live and raise a family,” said Mayor Susan Fennell. “We have managed our growth while remaining debt free. Brampton is truly a great city to call home.”

Brampton is listed as having 523,911 people in 2011. The City's growth between 2006 and 2011 represents a 20.8% population increase. This is the third-largest net increase among Canada's largest cities – only Toronto and Calgary were higher.

Statistics Canada (www.statcan.ca) will release additional information gathered in May 2011 over the coming months. For more about census information on Brampton, visit www.brampton.ca, call 905.874.2650 or e-mail edo@brampton.ca.

About Brampton: The 9th largest city in Canada, Brampton has a successful, well-diversified economy and is home to more than 8,000 businesses. The City continues to retain a Triple 'A' credit rating by Standard & Poor's, reflecting its successful economy and debt-free position. Brampton celebrates its diverse population that represents people from more than 175 distinct ethnic backgrounds who speak more than 70 different languages. Offering more than 6,000 acres of parkland, Brampton takes pride in being known as the Flower City of Canada. Brampton has been designated as an International Safe Community by the World Health Organization. For more information visit www.brampton.ca

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