CITY OF HAMILTON NOTICE OF MOTION

Emergency & Community Services Committee: August 10, 2016

MOVED BY COUNCILLOR FARR	

Skate the Dream / McMaster's Women's Hockey

WHEREAS The McMaster Women's Hockey Team has historically provided many hours of volunteer instruction and mentorship during our Skate the Dream program at Eastwood Arena; and

WHEREAS The McMaster's Women's Hockey team has indicated a desire to become more involved as volunteers in the Skate the Dream program each of the four nights weekly that the program runs; and

WHEREAS The McMaster Women's Hockey Team is currently non-varsity, but are working with Athletic Director Glen Grunewald to reinstate varsity status and get back to competing with the many other Ontario University varsity clubs; and

WHEREAS Facilitators of Skate the Dream, The Boys and Girls club of Hamilton East calls the McMaster Women's Hockey Team's involvement "invaluable" and "very important in achieving the goals and objectives of teaching our youth how to skate and play hockey and become team players in life"; and

WHEREAS The Skate the Dream program has provided for a significant increase in ice time at Eastwood arena, but the arena remains the most underutilized in the City of Hamilton inventory; and

WHEREAS All of us would be very proud to call Eastwood the Home of McMaster University Women's hockey.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED

That recreation staff be requested to provide the McMaster Women's Hockey team one hour of practice/game ice time for every two hours of volunteering time to be accommodated on weeknights following the Skate the Dream programming and to a maximum of four hours of ice time per week.