



November 7, 2005

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Dear Dr. Sadlier:

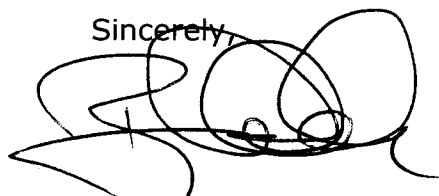
Congratulations and thank you for helping us bring the National Society of Black Engineers annual convention to Toronto in 2010. We are enormously proud that this well-regarded international group has chosen Toronto. We think it says a great deal about our city that they have entrusted us with their first convention outside the U.S.

Before the NSBE committee could make its decision, they had to be convinced that Toronto would surpass their expectations. We were asking them to make a bold choice. Your efforts in bringing a powerful sensitivity to black cultural issues helped position Toronto as a welcoming, knowledgeable host.

In marketing a city like Toronto we often call upon the expertise of local organizations to help us demonstrate all the city has to offer. The impact of local voices is profound and, I believe, can often tilt the balance in our favour. Thank you again for making this initiative a priority.

I know it was a proud moment for you – as it was for me - when the NSBE announced its decision to come to Toronto. I hope to work with you again as we showcase Toronto as a remarkable destination for visitors from around the world.

Sincerely,



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