



THE CITY OF WINDSOR

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THE CITY OF WINDSOR IS PROUD TO SUPPORT HOCKtoberfest, 2009

As so often happens, our city broke new ground last year in hosting a precedent setting event: the first HOCKtoberfest: a festival of hockey for female athletes.

The tournament was a resounding success; so much so that this year's HOCKtoberfest will be bigger, better and will have the privilege of sharing new facilities which were not available in its inaugural year.

It is always a pleasure to welcome visitors to Windsor, whatever purpose brings them to enjoy our hospitality.

This year's HOCKtoberfest promises to set new standards, with some 120 teams from Canada, the United States and Europe set to compete in six age divisions, along with a Showcase Series and an exhibition of Sledge Hockey, as well as on and off-ice clinics and other events.

Our first HOCKtoberfest attracted thousands of players, coaches and team officials, family members and spectators. The 2009 event promises to be even more impressive, and our community is ready with new arenas, new attractions and knowledgeable and enthusiastic numbers of spectators.

Women's hockey for competitors of all ages has grown dramatically in recent years, and HOCKtoberfest provides a remarkable showcase for the talented athletes who involve themselves in it.

The members of Windsor City Council join me and our thousands of hockey fans in commending the organizers of this event, its many sponsors and everyone who helps make it an outstanding success.

We are ready to welcome everyone to HOCKtoberfest, 2009.

Sincerely,

Eddie Francis
Mayor