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### **Deputy Mayor Paul Ainslie appointed as Chair of the Toronto Zoo Board of Management**

**Toronto** – On October 9, 2025 Deputy Mayor Paul Ainslie was appointed **Chair of the Board of Management of the Toronto Zoo** by Mayor Olivia Chow and Toronto City Council.

Having served as Chair from 2022 to 2024, He helped advance the Zoo's priorities in sustainability, Indigenous partnerships, and enhancing visitor experience. Deputy Mayor Ainslie now returns to the role with a focus on governance, innovation, and public accountability.

"I'm honoured to once again serve as Chair of the Toronto Zoo Board," said Chair Ainslie. "The Zoo plays a vital role in conservation and education, and I look forward to working with staff, partners, and our community to support its continued success."

The Toronto Zoo is one of Canada's leading zoological institutions, home to more than 3,000 animals and recognized globally for its work in species conservation, research, and habitat protection. As Chair, Deputy Mayor Ainslie will guide the Board's governance and strategic direction, collaborating with fellow members, City Councillors, and public appointees to strengthen the Zoo's mission.

For more information about the Toronto Zoo, visit [torontozoo.com](https://torontozoo.com).

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