



# Toronto Irish Players

.... *The Best In Irish Drama*

To the Trillium Foundation  
Re: The Irish Heritage House.

I am writing to support The Irish Heritage House Committee in the application for a Trillium Grant.

This dedicated committee has worked tirelessly and effectively to see the dream come into being, of a centre to celebrate Irish heritage and the rich contributions of the Irish to the history and culture of Canada and Toronto in particular.

The O'Connor Irish Heritage House would serve as a showcase for Irish art, music, literature as well as a home for archival material illustrating the role of the Irish in the growth of Toronto as a multicultural city. This would be beneficial to the entire Toronto community. The Centre would also serve as an educational resource for students in both school boards and contribute greatly to their knowledge of the multicultural nature of their community. As a board member of the Toronto Irish Players, I can speak for many in our group in the knowledge that its existence would serve our large theatre community as well, providing a venue for readings and workshops.

I have been impressed by the diligence and passion of the committee in their fundraising efforts and in the planning that has gone into this project. They have engaged the Irish community in their efforts through a number of community events. The house itself is impressive and will stand proud in its historical context.

Any support that the Trillium Foundation can give would be a support to the Irish community and to the larger community of Toronto and would be money well-invested.

Yours sincerely,

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