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Report

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TO:	Mayor & Council	DATE:	May 8, 2001
FROM:	General Manager, Parks, Recreation and Culture	FILE:	8092-010; xc: 0013-001
SUBJECT:	Acceptance of Gift to Surrey Art Gallery		

RECOMMENDATION

That Council accept the gift of \$15,000 from the estate of Doris Kathleen Skelton for the Surrey Art Gallery and agree to designate this gift for that purpose.

DISCUSSION

The Manager, Art Services received notice by letter from RBC Investments of the death of Doris Kathleen Skelton on March 27, 2001. Royal Trust Corporation of Canada and Donald S. Mosedale are the Executors of Mrs. Skelton's Last Will and Testament dated December 14, 2000.

As outlined by the terms of Mrs. Skelton's Will as well as the Notice under section 112 of the Estate Administration Act, a cash legacy of \$15,000 has been gifted to the Surrey Art Gallery. Council approval is required to accept the gift and to designate it for the purpose intended by the donor.

Staff are required to complete and return a Beneficiary Information Form for the administration of the estate, and for tax purposes, to confirm that the City will accept the gift and to provide a duplicate receipt for this charitable donation made to the Surrey Art Gallery.

CONCLUSION

The estate of Doris Kathleen Skelton has generously provided a legacy for the arts in Surrey by designating this gift for the Surrey Art Gallery. With the redevelopment of the Surrey Arts Centre, including the development of new Gallery spaces in progress, the legacy will assist in providing for future opportunities in the arts.

Don Hunter, General Manager
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