



December 2, 2019

Hon. Caroline Mulroney
Minister of Transportation
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RE: Resumption of GTA West Transportation Corridor Route Planning and Environmental Assessment Study

Dear Minister Mulroney,

In June 2019, the Province announced that the environmental assessment process for the GTA West Corridor would be resumed, with an expected date of 2022 for delivery of the final report.

Since the initial study of the proposed corridor began in 2008, ongoing growth and congestion within the Region of Peel has continued to illustrate why this artery is key to providing effective transportation solutions for people and goods within the area and across the Greater Toronto Area. In addition, it will help the Region meet its population and employment targets established by the *Places to Grow* policy. Areas in the City of Brampton situated along the corridor, including Heritage Heights and Mayfield West, have been identified by the Region as key to meeting these targets.

It is our hope that the resumed study will build on previous work and look to make improvements where needed to its route, design and project roll-out in order to both maximize its potential benefit and minimize any negative impacts. Given that the corridor may ultimately be host to a parallel electrical transmission project, we would suggest that future presentations on both projects be coordinated to present the Province's full and complete vision for GTA West. To that end, we would welcome any opportunity to provide input from the business community to the project.

Minster Mulroney, the Brampton Board of Trade strongly supports the resumption of the environmental assessment for the GTA West Corridor and looks forward the project's ultimate approval and start of construction.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Todd Letts", is enclosed within a light grey rectangular box.

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