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Dear Jaipaul Massey-Singh:

Thank you for your letter regarding your concerns with the dissolution of Peel Region. I appreciate the time you have taken to write.

In response to municipal and community feedback, on December 13, 2023, our government announced that it will introduce legislation that, if passed, would update the mandate of the Peel Region Transition Board to focus on making regional government in Peel Region more efficient and responsive to the needs of taxpayers, instead of dissolution.

The Peel Region Transition Board will be asked to bring forward recommendations on optimizing the delivery of certain municipal services that support the commitment to build more homes, specifically land-use planning, water and wastewater, stormwater, roads, and waste management.

These services are key to building homes and housing-enabling infrastructure and support the growth happening in Peel Region.

Removing the duplicative layer of regional government from the administration of these services will get shovels in the ground faster so more people in Mississauga, Brampton and Caledon can find a home that meets their needs.

This approach will also provide certainty and stability for taxpayers and municipal employees in Peel Region while continuing the province's efforts to provide the best value for taxpayers.

The transition board is expected to continue its work in collaboration with impacted municipalities and communities and put forward final recommendations that reflect informed advice and analysis.

We look forward to hearing the recommendations of the Peel Region Transition Board.

Once again, thank you for bringing your concerns to my attention. Please accept my best wishes.

Sincerely,

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