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Hon. Prabmeet Sarkaria
Minister of Transportation
Government of Ontario
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Sent electronically

Dear Minister Sarkaria:

On behalf of the Residential and Civil Construction Alliance of Ontario (RCCAO), we would like to extend our sincere congratulations on your re-election and re-appointment to Cabinet as Minister of Transportation.

As you know, RCCAO is a unique alliance composed of management and labour groups that represents a wide spectrum of the Ontario construction industry. RCCAO's goal is to work in cooperation with government and related stakeholders to offer realistic solutions to a variety of challenges facing the construction industry and which also have wider societal benefits.

Our membership includes the Greater Toronto Sewer and Watermain Contractors Association; Heavy Construction Association of Toronto; International Union of Operating Engineers, Local 793; Joint Residential Construction Association; LiUNA Local 183; Ontario Association of Foundation Specialists; Ontario Formwork Association; and Toronto and Area Road Builders Association.

RCCAO wants to commend the work you, your team and the Ministry have accomplished. The Ontario Government's continued commitment to investing in critical infrastructure is key to meeting the needs of our growing province. That investment, coupled with the meaningful advancement on Highway 413 and the Bradford Bypass, reflects your forward-thinking vision that led RCCAO to endorse the party.

While much has been accomplished, we also recognize that challenges remain, particularly in the current unpredictable economic environment and global uncertainty. Infrastructure is the foundation for economic growth and competitiveness, especially in this economic climate. To ensure continued progress, it's crucial that we get people working and projects moving forward in a clear, timely, and predictable manner.

That is why it is critically important that the Ministry releases a steady flow of projects and tender opportunities. The timely and consistent release of work, particularly early tender calls, will be key to maintaining momentum, creating jobs, and keeping our workforce engaged and productive.

In addition to the immediate need for a steady supply of projects and tenders to keep industry productive, the province's long-term population projections and the demand it will have on all core and critical public infrastructure, necessitates that we build for the future today. Continued advancement on key transit and transportation projects like Highway 413, Bradford Bypass, the Morrison Bypass, and the Ontario Line must remain a priority to ensure that the province has the necessary infrastructure for the long-term movement of people and goods across the province.

Inaction would have real consequences. As our [recently commissioned report](#) found, not addressing congestion will have staggering short and long-term economic and social impact costs. The report found that congestion can cost Ontario \$145 billion by 2044 and 558,000 jobs if investment in core public infrastructure – roads, bridges and transit – does not keep up with demand. The report solidifies the case for sustained, long-term investment into all kinds of transportation infrastructure to ensure people and goods are moving.

Your leadership and commitment to Ontario's critical transit and transportation infrastructure have been truly commendable. We look forward to continuing our partnership and collaboration with your ministry as we work together to build a stronger, more connected Ontario.

Sincerely,



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