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Regional Chair Nando Iannicca Regional Municipality of Peel 10 Peel Centre Drive Brampton ON L6T 4B9

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Dear Regional Chair Iannicca:

I am pleased to announce the launch of the 2020-21 Gas Tax Program and to advise you of your funding allocation.

REFERRAL TO

Our government is committed to working with municipalities to improve Ontario's transportation network and support economic growth. Investing in transit will reduce traffic congestion, create jobs and help businesses to develop and prosper.

The Regional Municipality of Peel will be eligible to receive an allocation of \$494,598 for this program year.

In the coming days, we will forward the electronic versions of your Letter of Agreement, along with program guidelines, reporting forms and the Canadian Content for Transit Vehicle Procurement policy to the primary contact at the Regional Municipality of Peel.

Please return a scanned copy of the signed Letter of Agreement in pdf format, the required supporting by-law (if applicable) and the 2020 Reporting Forms to MTO-PGT@ontario.ca.

In the 2019 Budget, the province committed to reviewing the current program, in consultation with municipalities, to identify opportunities for improvement. Following a careful consideration of municipal and transit stakeholder feedback, the ministry implemented two changes that were identified as areas for improvement to the 2019-20 program:

- The baseline spending requirement was removed; and
- Municipalities were permitted to submit a scanned copy of the municipal by-law instead of a certified copy.

The review of the Gas Tax program has been completed and no additional changes are being considered for the 2020-21 program.

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The ministry recognizes the impact that COVID-19 has had on municipal transit systems in 2020. We will continue to monitor the impacts to key elements, such as municipal transit ridership and the availability of funding that is generated from the sale of gasoline, as these influence the Gas Tax allocations for the 2021-22 program.

If you have any questions regarding the program, please contact Jamie Pearce, Director, Municipal Programs Branch, at (437) 218-1788.

Sincerely,

Caroline Mulroney Minister of Transportation

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