Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing

Office of the Minister

777 Bay Street, 17th Floor Toronto ON M7A 2J3 Tel.: 416 585-7000

Ministère des Affaires municipales et du Logement

Bureau du ministre

777, rue Bay, 17e étage Toronto (Ontario) M7A 2J3 Tél. : 416 585-7000



RECEIVED

234-2023-2573

May 18, 2023
REGION OF PEEL
OFFICE OF THE REGIONAL CLERK

May 18, 2023

Nando Iannicca Regional Chair & CEO Regional Municipality of Peel nando.iannicca@peelregion.ca

Dear Chair Iannicca:

Our government recognizes that the province and municipalities share an important commitment to the people of Ontario – to accelerate the supply of housing in fast-growing communities across the province and help more Ontarians realize the dream of home ownership.

Municipalities are important partners in delivering on this goal, and the province is committed to empowering them with the tools needed to plan for population growth, including the tools needed to build more housing options.

This is why, earlier today, I introduced the proposed *Hazel McCallion Act* in the Legislature. If passed, this Bill would enable the dissolution of the Region of Peel and begin the process of making the City of Mississauga, and City of Brampton, and Town of Caledon single-tier municipalities by January 1, 2025.

This historic change would bring power and decision-making closer to the people that governments are meant to serve – by eliminating the duplication and red-tape in a range of services, including housing approvals.

In proposing this change, the government is committed to creating an equitable and fair process whereby all residents, regardless of where they live, are respected and have access to excellent services. The proposed legislation, if passed, would enable me, as Minister, to appoint a transition board to provide advice to government on matters related to the restructuring, including service delivery arrangements, the long-term financial sustainability of impacted municipalities and employment matters. Timing of appointments to the transition board are contingent on the passage of the proposed legislation and if passed, we will have more details to share soon.

REFERRAL TO	/2
RECOMMENDED	
DIRECTION REQUIRED	
RECEIPT RECOMMENDED	

10.2-1

As this historic work unfolds, the province expects that regional and local councils will put the public interest first and foremost, and work collaboratively with the transition board and each other during the transition period. Councils will need to continue their financial stewardship role to help ensure a sustainable transition and give regard to the public interest when making any significant financial decisions or decisions related to providing quality services to the residents of your communities.

Ontario is committed to working with regional and local partners to ensure municipalities can continue to support the growth we need in our province.

Thank you for your continued service on behalf of the residents of Peel Region and Ontario. Please feel free to contact Ryan Amato, Chief of Staff (ryan.amato@ontario.ca) or Kate Manson-Smith, Deputy Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing (kate.manson-smith@ontario.ca) should you have any questions.

Thank you and please accept my best wishes.

Sincerely,

Steve Clark Minister

Kate Manson-Smith, Deputy Minister
 Caspar Hall, Assistant Deputy Minister
 Ryan Amato, Chief of Staff
 Gary Kent, CAO, Region of Peel