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The Honourable Steve Clark Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing College Park 17th Floor 777 Bay Street Toronto, ON M7A 2J3

RE: Consideration of an Additional GO station on the Caledon-Vaughan GO Rail Line in the Bolton South Hill

Dear Minister Clark,

I am writing to advise that, at the Town Council meeting held on April 25, 2023, Council adopted a re solution regarding Consideration of an Additional GO Station on the Caledon-Vaughan GO Rail Line in the Bolton South Hill.

The resolution reads as follows:

Whereas the Metrolinx 2041 Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) identifies GO rail service from Union Station to Bolton as a project that is beyond 2041, and Caledon and its municipal partners are advocating for the timeline for this service to be sooner than 2041, most recently through Caledon's Housing Pledge in response to the Bill 23 target of 13,000 new homes by 2031;

Whereas the Town of Caledon as part of its ongoing Future Caledon Official Plan Review must plan for significant population and employment growth to 2051, the majority of which will be within the new 2051 Urban Area to the west of Bolton, with some growth allocated to the existing Bolton urban area through redevelopment;

Whereas Council has emphasized the importance of protecting and enhancing the Town's rural-urban mix, by directing the majority of growth to the 2051 Urban Area, but also through intensification and redevelopment of existing urban areas, particularly focused on the Bolton urban area, to enhance the community;

Whereas the Growth Plan for the Greater Golden Horseshoe defines a Major Transit Station Area as an area within 500 to 800 metres of an existing or planned higher order transit (i.e. GO rail service) station, and Major Transit Station Areas must be planned and designed to be transit-supportive and development must be supported by planning for a diverse mix of uses to support existing and planned transit service levels;

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Whereas the Town's Official Plan Review will examine the existing Bolton Secondary Plans and will be updating and consolidating those secondary plans into an updated secondary plan for the existing Bolton urban area, particularly focused on opportunities for redevelopment and intensification along the Highway 50/Queen Street corridor in proximity to the future Caledon-Vaughan GO rail line, and will address the opportunity for identification of a Major Transit Station Area;

Now therefore be it resolved that the Ministries of Municipal Affairs and Housing and Transportation and Metrolinx be requested to work with the Town of Caledon, Region of Peel, City of Vaughan and Region of York to prioritize consideration of the potential for an additional GO station on the Caledon-Vaughan GO rail line, in the Bolton South Hill area along the Highway 50/Queen Street corridor, to act as a catalyst for transit-supportive mixed use development to enhance the housing opportunities, community amenities and mobility options for the residents of Caledon; and

That this Resolution be provided to the Minister of Municipal Affairs Housing, Minister of Transportation, Metrolinx, Region of Peel, Region of York, City of Vaughan and Sylvia Jones, Deputy Premier and Member of Provincial Parliament for Dufferin-Caledon.

For more information regarding this request, please contact me directly by email to mayor@caledon.ca or by phone at 905.584.2272 ext. 4155.

Minister Clark, I look forward to your response and working together for the best interest of the Caledon community.

Sincerely,

Annette Groves

Mayor

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