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Re: Support for Canada's airports facing severe financial impact of COVID-19

Dear Ministers:

On behalf of Region of Peel Council, we thank you and your federal colleagues for the recent move to provide rent relief to Canada's airports for 2020. It is an important first step in providing immediate relief to airports. Toronto Pearson is a very important component of Peel's robust goods movement sector. As such, the Region is urging the federal government to provide Canada's airports additional short-term relief and a longer-term stimulus package. This support is essential for Canada's overall economic recovery as well as needed to help rebuild public trust in travel.

Despite the current situation, Toronto Pearson remains a vital piece of regional infrastructure and important economic anchor for the Greater Toronto Area, including Peel. In better times, the area around Toronto Pearson is home to the second largest employment zone in Canada, behind downtown Toronto. This includes the 86,000 jobs generated or facilitated in Peel. In addition, with Peel having one of the largest transportation and goods movement hubs in North America, Toronto Pearson plays an important role in ensuring the efficient flow of goods and services across Peel's transportation network.

The grim reality is that many parts of the aviation sector will continue to shut down without swift government action. Your government has moved quickly to introduce economic measures to help stabilize the economy and acknowledge the need to address the long-term viability and resiliency of Canada's aviation sector.

Now is the time to begin looking to the future to determine how we can work together to restore public trust in air travel and take the necessary measures to support economic recovery. The airport connects our vast country, creates jobs, facilitates imports and exports and attracts tourism and investment throughout the province and across the country. In short, Toronto Pearson will be a key part of our local, regional, provincial and national long-term recovery.

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We hope that the federal government continues to move swiftly and provides the much needed support to Canada's airports, including Toronto Pearson.

I would be pleased to discuss this further with you and your staff at your convenience. Please feel free to contact me at 905-791-7800 x4310. It would be a pleasure to hear from you.

Kindest personal regards,



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