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Dear Mr. Iannicca:

On behalf of Prime Minister Justin Trudeau, I would like to acknowledge receipt of your correspondence of July 29, 2020, regarding emergency operating funds for municipalities.

Thank you for writing. You may be assured that your attached letter and resolution have been carefully reviewed. I have taken the liberty of forwarding your correspondence to the Honourable William Morneau, Minister of Finance, for information and consideration.

Once again, thank you for taking the time to write.

Yours sincerely,

C. Chaar
Executive Correspondence Officer
Agent de correspondance
de la haute direction

>>> From : Nando Iannicca nando.iannicca@peelregion.ca Received : 29 Jul 2020 10:01:59 AM
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>>> Subject : Financial Assistance for Municipalities >>>>

Good morning,

On behalf of Peel Regional Council, please see enclosed.

Kindest personal regards,

Nando

Nando Iannicca

Regional Chair & CEO

Regional Municipality of Peel

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July 29, 2020

The Right Honourable Justin Trudeau
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Nando Iannicca
Regional Chair & CEO

The Honourable Doug Ford
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Dear Prime Minister Trudeau and Premier Ford,

As you know, the COVID-19 pandemic has presented unprecedented challenges to communities throughout Ontario and across Canada, including the Region of Peel. With the spread of the virus slowing, we are confident moving forward knowing each level of government has risen to meet the challenge of the most pressing public health and economic emergency of our generation.

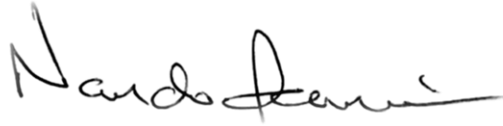
As we continue to address the impacts of COVID-19, ongoing cooperation and collaboration between our respective governments will be key in controlling the pandemic and advancing economic recovery. At its meeting on July 9th, Regional Council passed the attached resolution, requesting emergency operating funds to ensure we can maintain vital municipal services. We are pleased that the recently negotiated Safe Restart Agreement will provide much needed financial relief for our Region and further demonstrates what we can accomplish when we work together. We expect that this funding will have a demonstrable impact in Mississauga, Brampton and Caledon, ensuring Peel's residents continue to receive the critical frontline services they rely on.

As with all municipalities, the Region of Peel is experiencing increased operating costs, while at the same time, we are also facing reduced revenues as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic. The total impact for 2020 is estimated at \$67 million. In response to this challenge, the Region has undertaken cost-saving measures and efficiencies, however, even after taking these savings into consideration, we are currently projecting a \$39-million deficit.

We look forward to more details about how the much-needed funding through the federal-provincial agreement will be allocated to protect residents from future outbreaks, maintain essential emergency services, support public transit, protect vulnerable populations, including seniors and ensure sufficient childcare spaces. We appreciate this support, which is absolutely vital to our recovery efforts.

We know that the challenges we face will not be resolved quickly and the financial impacts of the pandemic are expected to extend beyond the current year. There will be more to do, and we look forward to further engaging with you, our federal and provincial partners, as we collectively chart a path toward a COVID-19-free future.

Kindest personal regards,



Nando Iannicca
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CC:

Peel MPs and MPPs

Nancy Polsinelli, Interim Chief Administrative Officer, Region of Peel

Stephen Van Ofwegen, Chief Financial Officer and Commissioner of Finance,
Region of Peel

Attached: Resolution 2020-555

**APPROVED AT REGIONAL COUNCIL
July 9, 2020**

8.5 Motion from Councillor Medeiros regarding Financial Assistance for Municipalities

Resolution Number 2020-555

Moved by Councillor Medeiros
Seconded by Councillor Crombie

Whereas the Peel Labour Congress is currently promoting a nation-wide campaign for emergency funding for municipalities in support of essential workers;

And whereas, the Peel Labour Congress through its local chapter, the Peel Regional Labour Council, has requested Peel Regional Council's support for their campaign;

And whereas, our local city and town councils, big and small, rural and urban are on the front lines of some of the most pressing challenges facing Canada;

And whereas, municipal and regional workers are going above and beyond their regular duties to deliver the public services that keep us safe during the COVID-19 crisis;

And whereas, municipal revenues are collapsing, and unanticipated costs are soaring;

And whereas, without financial assistance, municipalities will be forced to cut vital local services that families and communities rely upon;

And whereas, public transportation makes our communities more livable and fights climate change;

Therefore be it resolved, that the Regional Chair, on behalf of Regional Council, send letters to the provincial government and the federal government to request emergency operating funds to ensure vital local services continue, including public transportation and emergency services.

Carried