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Your Worship
Mayor Bonnie Crombie
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Dear Mayor Crombie:

Last year, our government took decisive action to address the housing supply crisis by passing legislation and making regulations that provide the mayors of Toronto and Ottawa with tools to cut red tape and speed up delivery of key provincial-municipal priorities, such as housing, transit and infrastructure.

As the province and municipalities work together to deliver on a commitment to build 1.5 million new homes by 2031, I am pleased to inform you that as of July 1, 2023, we are expanding strong mayor powers to heads of council in 26 large and fast-growing municipalities who have submitted a housing pledge. This includes the City of Mississauga.

Once amendments to O. Reg. 530/22 under the Municipal Act (MA) are made and come into force, as head of council of your municipality, you will be able to:

- Choose to appoint the municipality's chief administrative officer
- Hire certain municipal department heads, and establish and re-organize departments
- Create committees of council, assign their functions and appoint the Chairs and Vice-Chairs of committees of council
- Propose the municipal budget, which would be subject to council amendments and a separate mayoral veto and council override process
- Veto certain by-laws if you are of the opinion that all or part of the by-law could potentially interfere with a provincial priority, such as housing, transit and infrastructure
- Bring forward matters for council consideration if you are of the opinion that considering the matter could potentially advance a provincial priority
- Propose certain municipal by-laws if you are of the opinion that the proposed by-law could potentially advance a provincial priority. Council can pass these by-laws if more than one-third of council members vote in favour.

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For more information on strong mayor powers and duties please see:

- [Strong Mayors, Building Homes Act, 2022](#)
- [Better Municipal Governance Act, 2022](#)
- [O. Reg. 580/22: PROVINCIAL PRIORITIES](#) - Municipal Act
- [O. Reg. 530/22: PART VI.1 OF THE ACT](#) - Municipal Act

The proposed amendments to the regulation are intended to empower municipal partners with the tools to get things done and prepare for future population growth. Working together, we can realize our shared goals of helping more Ontarians find a home that meets their needs and budget.

Please accept my best wishes.

Sincerely,



Steve Clark
Minister

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