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Hon. Natalia Kusendova-Bashta, Associate Minister of Long-Term Care and MPP Mississauga – Centre

Hon. Nina Tangri, Associate Minister of Small Business and MPP Mississauga – Streetsville

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Rudy Cuzzetto, MPP Mississauga – Lakeshore

Kaleed Rasheed, MPP Mississauga East – Cooksville

**RE: Mississauga's Provincial Funding Applications**

Dear Mississauga Members of Parliament:

On behalf of my Council colleagues, I am writing to inform you about the City of Mississauga's recent applications to the Government of Ontario's Municipal Housing Infrastructure Program, specifically under the Housing-Enabling Core Servicing Stream (HECS) and the Housing-Enabling Water Systems Fund (HEWSF). We are pleased that the Ford Government has made this funding available and are hoping that our applications are successful. I am asking for your support and advocacy.

The City of Mississauga has submitted two critical funding applications that are essential for the development and climate resilience of our community:

1. **Dixie-Dundas Flood Mitigation (HEWSF):** This project aims to enhance stormwater management capacity and to mitigate the severe flooding issues that have increasingly impacted Mississauga due to extreme weather events. The City has applied for **\$31 million**, which is 73 per cent of the total eligible project costs. This funding is essential to protect our community from future flooding and to enhance our resilience against climate change.

Protecting infrastructure and properties from flood damage helps maintain economic stability and reduces the financial burden on both homeowners and government. The need to invest in stormwater infrastructure and expedite flood mitigation efforts is underscored by the extreme rainfall events that occurred in Mississauga on July 16, 2024, and August 17 and 18, 2024. These events caused significant flooding, impacting some 800,000 people in the area, highlighting the urgent need for robust infrastructure to manage challenges brought on by severe weather. The Dixie-Dundas Flood Mitigation Project will continue to add resilience to the City's stormwater system. This project will protect over 1,000 properties that are currently at risk of flooding due to spill of Little Etobicoke Creek at Queen Frederica, including the Dixie-Dundas and Applewood communities, and will unlock developable land for the construction of 6,300 new housing units in a critical growth node located at the Dixie GO Major Transit Station Area.

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**2. Ninth Line Road Widening - Eglinton Avenue West to Derry Road West (HECS):**

This project is vital for improving transportation infrastructure to support our growing population. The City has applied for the maximum permitted funding of **\$20 million**, which represents 50 per cent of the total eligible project costs. This funding is crucial to ensure the project can proceed without delay, addressing current and future transportation needs.

The Ninth Line Road Widening project aligns with several key priorities of the Government of Ontario. By providing increased capacity and better access to enable more housing developments along the Ninth Line corridor, this project will provide smoother commutes and better connectivity for residents, which are essential for economic activities and job creation in Mississauga, one of Ontario's largest cities.

The residents and businesses in our city need our support. Mississauga is doing its part through historic investments in infrastructure, including stormwater infrastructure, as well as providing compassionate grants to residents affected by flooding. We need the Province to do the same. Please push your government to approve these applications.

Thank you for your consideration and your advocacy for our community.

Regards,

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cc. The Hon. Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario  
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