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Hon. Caroline Mulroney Ministry of Transportation 777 Bay St., 5th Floor Toronto, ON M7A 1Z8

RE: Stakeholder Task Force for a Provincial Vision Zero Strategy

Dear Minister Mulroney,

A loss of life or serious injury from a motor vehicle accident on our road system is one too many. Safety on our City's roads is of primary concern for my Council, especially since these accidents are largely preventable.

In February of 2018 the Mississauga City Council passed Resolution 0045-2018 to adopt a Vision Zero framework. The goal of this program is to prevent serious injuries and fatalities from motor vehicle collisions, diminishing these rates to zero. As part of the framework, Council passed a By-Law to lower speed limits on residential streets from 50 to 40 km/h, thanks to a recent amendment to the provincial Highway Traffic Act. This program has been implemented in 10 neighbourhoods across the City with plans for a full roll-out in the near future.

Mississauga is not alone on its road safety action. Several municipalities across the province have adopted Vision Zero Frameworks including Hamilton, Kingston, London, Toronto, the Region of Peel and Durham Region. Many Canadian provinces have led efforts to coordinate local actions, including British Columbia, Manitoba, Quebec and Saskatchewan.

I write to you on behalf of my Council and our approved Resolution 0289-2019 (see attached) to request you to convene a stakeholder task force group. A task force at the Provincial level would help align efforts, resources and commitments and better coordinate our municipal actions. The function of this group would be to advise the Provincial government on how a Vision Zero strategy can be developed and implemented in Ontario.

For Vision Zero to be a successful endeavour at the local level, leadership of the Province working together with key stakeholder groups, including the Ontario Goods Roads Association are essential.

I look forward to hearing a positive response from you to ensure that we work together to make Mississauga and Ontario roads safer to walk, cycle, play and drive on.

Warm Regards,

Bonnie Crombie, MBA, ICD.D Mayor, City of Mississauga

Attachment: City of Mississauga Resolution 0289-2019

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MPP Kaleed Rasheed, Mississauga East-Cooksville

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