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Bruce McCuaig
President & CEO
Metrolinx
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Sent by Email: ceo@metrolinx.com

Dear Mr. McCuaig,

I understand that there is a possibility that Metrolinx will be closing the York University Go Train Station.

The York University Go Train Station has been operating for 14 years and provides an essential transit access point to the York University Keele Campus for students, faculty, staff and the general public visiting the school and the surrounding businesses.

York University has more than 53,000 students and 14,000 staff and faculty members who commute daily to the Keele Campus and based on York University's Secondary Plan are projecting growth of up to 24,500 new residents and over 20,000 new jobs in the surrounding area.

Over the past 20 years, York University has discouraged single-occupant vehicles by implementing several initiatives, such as a dedicated shuttle bus service between the Keele Campus and York University Go Train Station and has seen single occupancy vehicle use at the campus drop from 70% to 20%.

On behalf of Members of Council and citizens of the Town of Aurora I am requesting that the York University Go Train Station remain open as it is an essential transit access point and potentially closing the station may negatively impact businesses and commuters across Aurora and York Region who rely on this transit stop to access their place of employment and other local areas.

Sincerely,

Geoffrey Dawe
Mayor

cc: The Honourable Chris Ballard, MPP, Minister of Housing
York Regional Council
Nicole Arseneault, Manager, Transportation Services, York University
York Region Municipalities