

February 9, 2017

Honourable Kathleen Wynne
Premier of Ontario
Legislative Building
Queen's Park
Toronto, Ontario
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RE: Election of the Chair of The Regional Municipality of Peel

Dear Premier:

We are writing to advise you that on Thursday, January 26, 2017, Peel Regional Council passed a motion to request the repeal of Bill 70 Schedule 15, which amends the Municipal Act, 2001 to communicate the head of Council must be elected commencing with the 2018 Municipal Election.

The amendment to the Act states, "On the day the new council of a regional municipality is organized following the regular election in 2018, the head of council of a regional municipality shall be elected by general vote in accordance with the *Municipal Elections Act, 1996*."

Upon further discussion at the last Regional Council meeting, held on January 26, 2017, Peel Council voted 22 in favour and 1 opposed to ask the Province to take immediate action on this matter and repeal the sections of the recently passed legislation relating to the election at large of the Regional Chair for Peel.

The right to self-determination is a fundamental tenet of democracy, and the collective will of Peel Regional Council is that you respect this fact and afford us this right as democratically elected officials. This perspective has been long held by Peel Regional Council and recently validated by the governing process undertaken last year. Therefore, Members of Regional Council respectfully request the repeal of the Province's decision to make the position of Regional Chair one elected by the citizens of the region, rather than one that is appointed by Council.

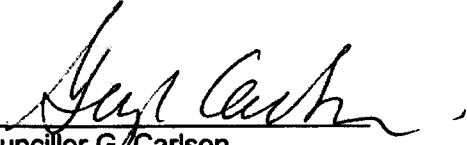
Your swift attention to this matter is appreciated.


Best regards,


Region of Peel Council

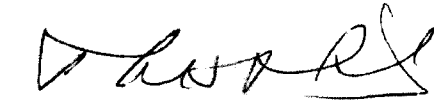
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Signatures of Peel Regional Council Members:



Councillor G. Carlson
City of Mississauga, Ward 11


Town of Caledon, Wards 3 & 4

Councillor J. Kovac
City of Mississauga, Ward 4



Mayor B. Crombie
City of Mississauga

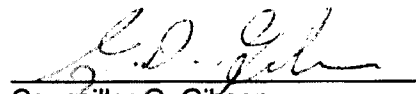

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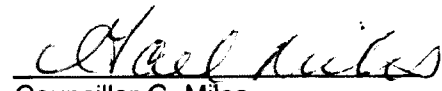

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Town of Caledon, Ward 2

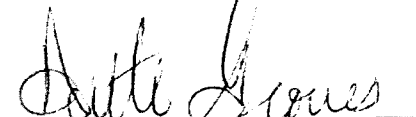

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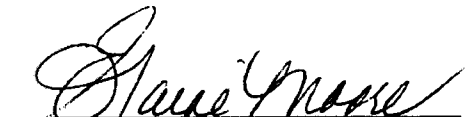

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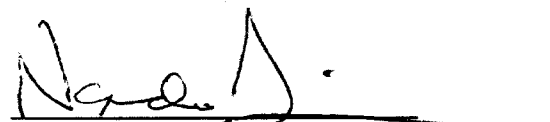

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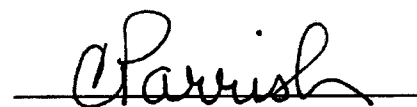

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Councillor N. Iannicca
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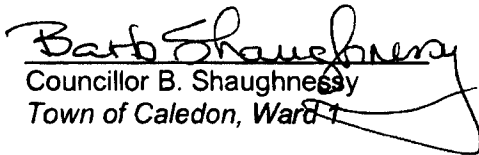
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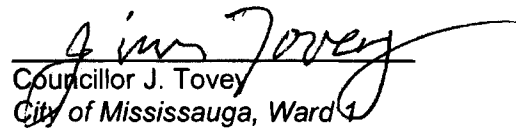

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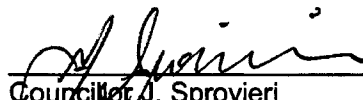

Councillor R. Starr
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City of Mississauga, Ward 9


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cc: Honourable Bill Mauro, Minister of Municipal Affairs
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Resolution

Moved By: Councillor Crombie	Date: January 26, 2017
Seconded By: Councillor Saito	Item Number 12.1

Whereas Bill 70 Schedule 15, requires general election of the Regional Chair commencing with the 2018 Municipal Election;

And whereas, Bill 70 Schedule 15, was introduced on First Reading on November 16, 2016, and received Royal Assent and came into force on December 8, 2016 without adequate consultation of the interests of the Region and its area municipalities, or adequate consideration of their stated preferences that the Regional Chair continue to be appointed by Regional Council;

Therefore be it resolved, that a letter protesting the enactment of the requirement and requesting its repeal be circulated by the Regional Clerk for signature by Members of Council and sent to the Premier of Ontario;

And further, that a copy of the letter be sent to the Minister of Municipal Affairs, Peel-area MPPs, the Clerks of other Regional Municipalities affected by the requirement and the local municipalities within the Region of Peel.

CARRIED	√	LOST	REFERRED
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Chair