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Your Worship
Mayor Allan Thompson
Town of Caledon
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Dear Mayor Thompson:

On March 4, 2022, I made a Minister's Zoning Order (MZO) in response to the Council resolution passed by the Town of Caledon Council on October 28, 2021.

This order accelerates the development of a warehouse and distribution centre. Once built, the proposed facility is expected to create approximately 2,250 jobs.

Projects like these are good examples of our ongoing work to build strong communities complete with good local jobs here in the Town of Caledon and across the province. They are also key in helping the province recover from the impacts of COVID-19.

It's important to remember that an MZO kick-starts the planning approvals process. For this matter, the City maintains site plan approval, and remains responsible for getting this project across the finish line.

As you are aware, it is also my expectation that when requesting an MZO, municipal Councils have done their due diligence and conducted proper consultation in their communities, including with the public and other impacted stakeholders, before the local municipal Council sends any request for an MZO to me for consideration.

As part of the due diligence to support this request, my Ministry assessed Indigenous interests, notified, and engaged with Indigenous communities and held meetings, as requested, to discuss details of the proposal. We understand the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation and Huron Wendat Nation have expressed an interest in this project, including any future work related to the study and consideration of archaeological matters. In addition, Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation and Six Nations of the Grand River have asked to be consulted on future work related to the proposed channel realignment of Humber River Tributary H2 that intersects the subject lands.

To that end, I expect that the Town of Caledon and the proponent for the project will engage with Indigenous communities on future planning applications, or other relevant approvals for the subject site before development proceeds.

Our government values the unique role and contributions of Indigenous communities in land use planning and development, and we welcome their perspectives and traditional knowledge as part of an ongoing discussion, with our municipal partners, to support Ontario's sustainable and responsible growth.

I look forward to hearing from you on this matter. Please accept my best wishes.

Sincerely,



Steve Clark
Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing

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