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His Worship Bob Bratina
Mayor
City of Hamilton
City Hall, 77 Main Street West
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Dear Mayor Bratina:

I would like to take this opportunity to express my gratitude for your organization's continued support in delivering Ontario's After School Program for children and youth in high-priority communities. The Ontario government, through the Ministry of Tourism, Culture and Sport will continue to be a funding partner to your organization for the 2013-14, 2014-15 and 2015-16 school years.

Ontario's After School Program provides funding to help recreation service providers such as yours deliver quality programs for children and youth in targeted priority neighbourhoods across the province. These programs engage them in activities that will contribute to better overall health, self-esteem and wellbeing. They also contribute to the reduction of childhood obesity and poverty, increase physical literacy and fitness levels, increase skills and knowledge related to healthy food and life choices, and contribute to improved student achievement.

Thank you for your dedication to help create opportunities for young Ontarians to learn and grow in safe, nurturing environments. The Ministry of Tourism, Culture and Sport is pleased to partner with your organization as we work together to foster healthier children and healthier communities in Ontario. This supports the Ontario government's mandate to provide all Ontarians with access to local and provincial programs that help them live healthier, more active lives.

I am pleased that our support will enhance the after school programs run by your organization. Congratulations and please accept my best wishes for a successful program.

Yours truly,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Michael Chan'.

Michael Chan
Minister