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Re: Ontario Medical Association - Community Service Award

Dear Mayor Bratina:

On behalf of the Hamilton Academy of Medicine and Ontario Medical Association, we would like to thank you and Carol for attending our Annual General Meeting on Wednesday, June 19, 2014 at Liuna Station, Hamilton, ON to receive your Ontario Medical Association – Community Service Award.

As you are aware, in late 2013 The Hamilton Academy of Medicine's Board of Trustees submitted your name as a worthy candidate for this award. It is presented annually to a "non physician who has made a significant contribution to the health and welfare of the people of a local community as defined by involvement in community health and public welfare, including length of involvement, roles fulfilled in organizations and personal achievements".

You are most deserving of this award for all your contribution, advocacy and support of the people in the City of Hamilton. You are a tireless worker for the neighbourhoods, residents, and businesses of the City. You are a Mayor that the people of Hamilton can count on. It was truly an honour to present this award to you.

May we wish you the best of luck in your future endeavours.

Congratulations!

Sincerely,

Sheilah Lamb, BA, MD, CCFP, FCFP President Hamilton Academy of Medicine

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## **MEDIA RELEASE**

#### For Immediate Release

# Mayor Bob Bratina Recognized By Medical Community

**Hamilton, ON (June 17, 2014)** – On Wednesday, June 18, 2014 the Hamilton Academy of Medicine will be hosting their 114<sup>th</sup> Annual General Meeting at Liuna Station, Hamilton, ON.

At this meeting the Hamilton Academy will not only welcome a new President to lead the Executive Committee, but will also recognize Hamilton Mayor Bob Bratina as this year's recipient of the Ontario Medical Association(OMA) - Community Service Award.

The OMA Community Service Award is presented annually to non-physicians for significant contribution to the health and welfare of the people of a local community, as defined by involvement in community health and public welfare, including length of involvement, roles fulfilled in local organizations and personal achievements. The Hamilton Academy of Medicine's Board of Trustees submitted Mayor Bratina's nomination to the OMA in the Fall of 2013.

"Mayor Bob Bratina has always been a great advocate for the Hamilton Community and a Mayor the people of Hamilton can count on," said Dr. Lori Whitehead, President, Hamilton Academy of Medicine. "He was especially instrumental in the development of the new McMaster University downtown medical centre that will improve access to care for patients in the downtown Code Red area. An area where it is needed the most," said Dr. Whitehead.

Other award recipients for the evening include:

Dr. Frank Baillie – OMA Life Membership Award
Dr. Lawrence Kobetz – OMA Life Membership Award
Dr. J. Mark Walton – OMA Advocate for Students & Residents Award
Dr. Wes Oczkowski– OMA Glenn Sawyer Service Award
Mayor Bob Bratina – OMA Community Service Award

### For further information, please contact:

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#### **About The Hamilton Academy of Medicine**

Officially founded in 1899, The Hamilton Academy of Medicine is a local voluntary professional association. The Academy binds the medical community of the Greater Hamilton Area, promoting a spirit of cooperation and unity, while meeting the educational, social and political needs of its members. The Academy acts at the territorial branch society of District 4 of the Ontario Medical Association (OMA) providing a full range of programs, services and benefits to assist member physicians.