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His Worship Fred Eisenberger
Mayor of Hamilton
71 Main Street West, 2nd floor
Hamilton, Ontario L8P 4Y5

Dear Mayor Eisenberger,

I received your letter outlining the City of Hamilton's support for postal banking through Canada Post.

On May 5, 2016, I announced the launch of an independent review of Canada Post. This review is delivering on the Government's commitment to ensure Canadians from all regions of the country receive quality service from Canada Post at a reasonable price.

The review is designed to be transparent and provides Canadians with the opportunity to have a direct say about the services they value and need. It is being carried out in two phases and is expected to be completed by the end of 2016.
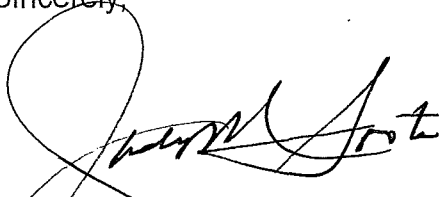
During the first phase, a task force gathered facts, conducted analyses and will provide viable options for postal service in the country. Issues and suggestions such as postal banking were examined by the Task Force as part of this phase of the review. During the second phase, a parliamentary committee is examining the Task Force's options, consulting with Canadians and making recommendations to the Government on the future of Canada Post.

We are committed to collecting the perspectives of Canadians, as this is an important part of the review process. For this reason, I have shared your letter with the Task Force.

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Information on how the review is unfolding is available on the review website at canada.ca/canadapostreview. I encourage you to take a look and share any additional views you may have.

Sincerely,

Judy M. Foote, PC, MP
Minister of Public Services and Procurement