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Your Worship Mayor Fred Eisenberger City of Hamilton 71 Main Street West, 2nd Floor Hamilton ON L8P 4Y5

Dear Mayor Eisenberger:

I would like to thank you and the City of Hamilton for your recent submission on Schedule 3 of Bill 139. I appreciate receiving the City's feedback.

As you know, on May 30, 2017, the government introduced Bill 139, the proposed Building Better Communities and Conserving Watersheds Act, in the Legislature. If passed, the Bill would replace the OMB with the proposed new Local Planning Appeal Tribunal and make amendments to existing legislation, including the *Planning Act*.

All comments received on Bill 139 will be carefully considered as the government moves forward on this initiative.

We look forward to the City of Hamilton's continued participation in the review, including on the development of any future transition regulations.

Once again, thank you for providing us with the City's comments. Please accept my best wishes.

Sincerely,

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Bill Mauro Minister