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MEMORANDUM TO: Richard Stubbings
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FROM: Nosa Ero-Brown
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Ministry of Transportation

SUBJECT: **Valid Ontario Licence Plates**

In February, the government commenced the process of designing and manufacturing a new licence plate. However, after thorough testing by law enforcement and other key stakeholders, we are following their advice and will not be moving forward with the new plate for passenger vehicle use.

Under very specific lighting conditions, stakeholders identified visibility issues due to glare. As a result, further work is needed. As such, the Premier has decided that the redesign of the new licence plate will no longer proceed.

Going forward, we will be using the “Yours to Discover” white embossed licence plate. The delamination issue with this plate has been resolved by the manufacturers with a five-year guarantee on the product.

In the interim, we will be exhausting all remaining passenger plates that we have in stock, including the existing supply of “A Place to Grow” flat blue licence plates.

Please advise all police services to notify their members that **both designs** of Ontario licence plates – white embossed “Yours to Discover” and flat blue “A Place to Grow” – **are valid and permitted to be displayed on motor vehicles to which they were issued.**

Please bring this memorandum to the attention of the policing community. If police services would like to discuss this information in more detail, they may contact Elizabeth Marles, Manager, Vehicle Programs Office, Ministry of Transportation, at (416) 235-3433 or Elizabeth.Marles@ontario.ca.

Thank you for your assistance.



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Attachment (1) – Licence Plate Images