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ATTN: Stephanie Paparella, Legislative Coordinator, Office of the City Clerk

Dear Ms. Paparella:

RE: City of Hamilton and Bill 66

I am the President of the Hamilton Halton General Contractors Association. The Association represents General Contractors in the Hamilton and Halton areas. Some of our member contractors are bound to the Collective Agreement with the United Brotherhood of Carpenters. This letter is in respect to Bill 66 and the opt-out provisions.

We understand the City's position on having their contracts open for bid by all general contractors, not just those bound to the Carpenters Collective Agreement. We are also aware of the Toronto compromise which allows general contractors to perform City work regardless of Union affiliation, provided the work is being done under the relevant Collective Agreement.

We believe in and fully support this compromise. It will provide the City of Hamilton with competitive prices, plus the quality, training and safety standards of the workforce so necessary  $\cdot$  for City projects.

The Hamilton Halton General Contractors Association encourages the City to avail themselves of this compromise.

Sincerely, HAMILTON HALTON GENERAL CONTRACTORS ASSOCIATION

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