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His Worship Fred Eisenberger
 Mayor
 City of Hamilton
mayor@hamilton.ca

Dear Mayor Eisenberger:

I am writing to provide you with an update on the proposal to upgrade the intersection of Highway 5 and 6 to an interchange to accommodate planned future development and traffic growth in the City of Hamilton.

The Ministry of Transportation (MTO) recognizes the importance of a future interchange at the intersection of Highway 5 and 6 to support development and address any associated traffic impacts. MTO understands that several major developments are planned in the area that will place further pressure on the highway network, increasing the need to advance the construction of the new interchange.

In 2017, in anticipation of future development growth in the area, MTO completed the design for the future interchange. The ministry has also worked cooperatively with the city to continue to review and advance development proposals in the area.

I am pleased to report that the province is moving forward with the Highway 5 and 6 interchange project. The next steps will be to update the design, secure property for the work and carry out utility relocation in advance of construction. Construction of the interchange will commence after the acquisition of properties required for the interchange and municipal road network, and the relocation of the significant number of utilities in the interchange area.

I have asked Becca Lane, MTO Director of Central Operations and our engineering staff to contact the City of Hamilton's Transportation, Planning and Parking Division to review the scope of the work and discuss next steps required to move this project forward.

I know this is welcome news for the City of Hamilton and I look forward to working together to move forward with this important infrastructure improvement.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading 'Caroline Mulroney'.

Caroline Mulroney
 Minister of Transportation

c. Brian Hollingsworth
 Becca Lane