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His Worship Bob Bratina
Mayor of Hamilton
28 James Street North
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**Re: Ontario Sport and Recreation Communities Fund 2013-2014
Grants Ontario Case # 2013-01-1-9120114**

Dear Mayor Bratina:

On behalf of the Government of Ontario, thank you for supporting and promoting community sport, recreation and physical activity in our province. The new Ontario government is committed to helping people of all ages and abilities get active, stay fit and live healthier.

I am pleased to inform you that the Ministry of Tourism, Culture and Sport has approved your Access to Affordable Recreation initiative in the amount of \$84,846.

Through the Ontario Sport and Recreation Communities Fund, we are supporting increased opportunities for participation, building physical literacy as the foundation for lifelong activity and strengthening the capacity of the sport and recreation sector.

MTCS recognizes that providing Ontarians with opportunities to engage in community sport, recreation and physical activity is critical to improving quality of life. Research demonstrates that sustained physical activity contributes to long lasting benefits such as physical, mental, emotional and social well-being, thereby strengthening human development and the diverse communities in which we live.