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Mr. Emil Kolb
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The Regional Municipality of Peel
10 Peel Centre Drive
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Dear Mr. Kolb:

Thank you for your letter which informed me of the resolution passed by the Peel Regional Council at its meeting on April 28, 2011, asking the province to regulate non-emergency patient transfer services.

I am pleased to share that on June 10, 2011, the Ontario government announced that we are taking action on this important issue.

The government will be introducing legislation to regulate the industry by setting core standards and requirements on transporting passengers between health care facilities in non-emergency situations. This project will be led by the Ministry of Health and Long Term Care and will involve consultations with the medical transportation services industry, health care providers, municipalities and the public.

The link to the news release can be found at www.news.ontario.ca/newsroom/en

Thank you again for bringing this issue to my attention.

Sincerely,

Kathleen Wynne
Minister

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c: The Honourable Deb Matthews, Minister, Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care
The Honourable Dalton McGuinty, Premier of Ontario

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Office of the Chair

May 13, 2011

Resolution No. 2011-374

The Honourable Kathleen Wynne
Minister of Transportation
3rd Floor, Ferguson Block
77 Wellesley Street West
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Dear Minister ~~Wynne:~~ Kathleen

Subject: Non-Emergency Inter-Facility Patient Transportation Services in Ontario

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I am writing to advise that Peel Regional Council approved the following resolution at its meeting held on April 28, 2011:

> "That the Province of Ontario be requested to provincially regulate non-emergency patient transfer services;
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> And further, that the Regional Chair, on behalf of Regional Council, write to the Premier of Ontario, the Minister of Health and Long-Term Care and the Minister of Transportation to advocate for provincial-wide standards for non-emergency inter-facility patient transportation services in Ontario;
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> And further, that a copy of the report of the Commissioner of Health Services, dated March 28, 2011, titled "Non-emergency Inter-facility Patient Transportation Services in Ontario" be sent to Peel area MPPs, the Chief Executive Officers of the Mississauga-Halton and Central West Local Health Integration Networks, Ontario Medical Association, Ontario Hospital Association and Association of Municipalities of Ontario."

In addition to the resolution passed I am also requesting a copy of the final findings and report from the Ontario's Ombudsman regarding non-emergency patient transportation services once it is released.

On behalf of Regional Council, I request that you give consideration to the above resolution and additional request. I look forward to your reply. Please quote the Region of Peel's reference number in your reply.

Sincerely,

Emil

Emil Kolb
Regional Chair and Chief Executive Officer

Encl.

c: Janette Smith, Commissioner of Health
Peter Dundas, Chief and Director, Peel Paramedic Services

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