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The Honourable Dalton McGuinty Premier Room 281, Main Legislative Building Queen's Park

September 23, 2011

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RE: MEMORANDUM FROM DR. ROBERT KYLE, COMMISSIONER & MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH, DATED SEPTEMBER 8, 2011 RE: AMBULANCE SERVICE CHARGES OUR FILE: P00-39

Honourable Sir, please be advised the Health & Social Services Committee of Regional Council considered the above matter and at a meeting held on September 21, 2011 Council adopted the following recommendations of the Committee:

"a) THAT the following resolution from the Regional Municipality of Peel, dated June 23, 2011 with respect to Provincial Fees in Health Services, be endorsed:

WHEREAS, the Region of Peel assumed responsibility for the delivery of land ambulance service January 1, 2011;

AND WHEREAS, the Region of Peel entered into an agreement with the Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care (the Ministry) for subsidized 50/50 cost sharing model;

AND WHEREAS, the operating funding for ambulance delivery supported by the Region is provided through Regional tax dollars;

AND WHEREAS, the current distribution of revenues from ambulance user co-payments does not reflect the municipal responsibilities for delivering ambulance services and the 50/50 cost sharing with the Ministry;

AND WHEREAS, the ambulance user fee of \$45 has not been adjusted for nearly 20 years;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, THAT the Regional Chair write to the Premier of Ontario and the Minister of Health and Long-Term Care, on behalf of Regional Council, requesting that 100 per cent of the funds collected through ambulance user co-payments be allocated to the Region of Peel to lessen the burden on the Regional taxpayer;

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AND FURTHER THAT the ambulance user fee co-payment be reviewed and adjusted to reflect a rate which is based on today's cost for delivering this essential service;

AND FURTHER THAT a copy of this resolution be sent to all designated delivery agents in Ontario, Peel-area MPPs, the CEOs and Chairs of the Mississauga-Halton and Central West Local Health Integration Networks, and the Presidents of all three Peel-area hospitals.'; and

b) THAT the Premier of Ontario, Ministers of Finance and Health and Long-Term Care, Durham's MPPs, and the GTA EMS service providers be so advised."

Pat M. Madill, AMCT, CMM III Regional Clerk

PMM/If

- c: The Honourable D. Duncan, Minister of Finance
 The Honourable D. Matthews, Minister of Health & Long-Term
 Care
 - W. Arthurs, MPP (Pickering/Scarborough East)
 - C. Elliott, MPP (Whitby/Oshawa)
 - J. O'Toole, MPP (Durham)
 - J. Ouellette, MPP (Oshawa)
 - R. Johnson, MPP (Haliburton-Kawartha Lakes-Brock)
 - J. Dickson, MPP (Ajax/Pickering)
 - R. Armstrong, Director, EMS, Region of Durham
 - P. Dundas, Chief/Director, Peel Regional Paramedic Services
 - P. Raftis, Chief/GM, Toronto Emergency Medical Services
 - N. Barrette, Chief/GM, York Region EMS Branch
 - G. Sage, Chief/Director, Halton Region EMS
 - R.J. Kyle, Commissioner & Medical Officer of Health



Office of the Chair

July 11, 2011

Resolution No. 2011-627

The Honourable Dalton McGuinty Premier of Ontario Room 281 Main Legislative Building Queen's Park Toronto, ON M7A 1A1

Dear Premier McGuinty:

Subject:

Provincial Fees in Health Services

I am writing to advise that Peel Regional Council approved the following resolution at its meeting held on June 23, 2011:

"Whereas, the Region of Peel assumed responsibility for the delivery of land ambulance service January 1, 2001;

And whereas, the Region of Peel entered into an agreement with the Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care (the Ministry) for a subsidized 50/50 cost sharing model;

And whereas, the operating funding for ambulance delivery supported by the Region is provided through Regional tax dollars;

And whereas, the current distribution of revenues from ambulance user copayments does not reflect the municipal responsibilities for delivering ambulance services and the 50/50 cost sharing with the Ministry;

And whereas, the ambulance user fee of \$45 has not been adjusted for nearly 20 years;

Therefore be it resolved, that the Regional Chair write to the Premier of Ontario and the Minister of Health and Long-Term Care, on behalf of Regional Council, requesting that 100 per cent of the funds collected through ambulance user copayments be allocated to the Region of Peel to lessen the burden on the Regional taxpayer;

And further, that the ambulance user fee co-payment be reviewed and adjusted to reflect a rate which is based on today's costs for delivering this essential service;

And further, that a copy of this resolution be sent to all designated delivery agents in Ontario, Peel-area MPPs, the CEOs and Chairs of the Mississauga-Halton and Central West Local Health Integration Networks, and the Presidents of all three Peel-area hospitals."

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

Sincerely,

Emil Kolb

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Regional Chair and Chief Executive Officer

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

Also sent to:

The Honourable Deb Matthews
Minister of Health and Long-Term Care
10th Floor, Hepburn Block
80 Grosvenor Street
Toronto, Ontario M7A 2C4

Also Copied:

Charles Sousa, MPP - Mississauga South
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Linda Jeffrey, MPP - Brampton-Springdale
Dr. Kuldip Kular, MPP - Bramalea-Gore-Malton
Vic Dhillon, MPP - Brampton West
Sylvia Jones, MPP - Dufferin-Caledon
Amrit Mangat, MPP-Mississauga-Brampton South
Harinder Takhar, MPP-Mississauga-Erindale
Maria Britto, Chair, Central West LHIN
Mimi Lowi-Young, CEO, Central West LHIN
Graeme Goebelle, Chair, Mississauga-Halton LHIN
Bill MacLeod, CEO, Mississauga-Halton LHIN
Anne K. Randell, President and CEO, Brampton Civic Hospital
Janet Davidson, President and CEO, Trillium Health Centre
Kathy Hay, President and CEO, The Credit Valley Hospital