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Dear Mr. Musjy & Ms. Kaffer ,

On behalf of the Windsor Construction Association (WCA) and Heavy Construction Association of Windsor (HCA) Boards' of Directors and membership representing over 440 General Contractor, Sub Contractor, Supplier, Manufacturer, and Professional firms throughout the Essex and Chatham Kent County region, we would like to congratulate the steering committee for advancing the communities interests to support the development, construction and operation of the "Mega-Hospital" project for the region.

There is no doubt that our communities current medical building infrastructure is fast approaching their expiry dates, and while our Industry has enjoyed patching them together to remain functional over the last couple of decades, there becomes a time when such efforts are no longer practical.


The region needs more modern, efficient, and adequate medical facilities, designed to not only serve the regional population today, but for years to come. There are currently some very significant regional infrastructure projects and trends in their infancy which will shape the regions' future, such as the new border crossing, as well as a more recent vibrant manufacturing, and blossoming tourism sector', that will continue to transform our region and put additional burdens on the hospital infrastructure.

It is also no secret that our region have had great success in attracting more senior families to the region, and this trend is likely to continue, and such success will continue to burden the existing hospital infrastructure further.

All that said, the construction industry stands to gain directly from a Mega-Hospital project of this significance through both direct and indirect employment estimated to be in millions of man hours, which our industry will openly embrace. Moreover, in order to properly support the infrastructure needs this regional project will demand, we acknowledge also that the region will require significant upgrades to all major thoroughfares leading to this new regional asset, once again creating thousands of additional man hours of employment. So it should come as no surprise that both the WCA and HCA are in full support of the steering committees efforts to bring this project to fruition.

The sooner, the better!

Respectfully submitted,


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