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Dear Mayor Molnar: smolnar@tillsonburg.ca

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As you are aware, our government is undertaking a review of regional government in Ontario. Regional governments have been in place in Ontario for 50 years. In that time populations have changed, infrastructure pressures have increased, and taxpayers' dollars have been stretched. Building on what's working well, the review will identify improvements to make better use of taxpayer dollars while ensuring government works efficiently and effectively for the people.

Today, I <u>announced</u> our government's plan to move forward on this commitment with the appointment of two special advisors who will conduct the review and provide me with recommendations. These two advisors are Michael Fenn and Ken Seiling.

Michael and Ken have extensive knowledge and experience in municipal government and I am confident in their ability to deliver on this important commitment.

As the head of council, you are responsible for making local decisions and providing high-quality service to the residents of your community. Your participation in this review is crucial to help us understand the unique needs of your region.

You can expect to hear from the advisors shortly regarding the review and how you will be engaged. I look forward to hearing your opinions and ideas to ensure municipalities in your region are working for the people.

Sincerely,

Steve Clark Minister

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