

His Worship John Tory
Mayor of Toronto, and
Members of City Council
Office of the Mayor
City Hall, 2nd Floor
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December 7, 2020

Dear Mayor Tory and City Councillors,

We write as leaders of the largest public institutions in the east end of Toronto, representing more than 15,000 staff that work in Scarborough, 35,000 students that study in Scarborough and 500,000 patients that receive services at our doors.

As long time transit advocates for Scarborough, our institutions have consistently supported the need to address the lack of transit investment in this part of the City.

The Eglinton East LRT will generate vital transit infrastructure to underserved communities and provide more affordable access to education, health care and employment. In addition, investment in this project will stimulate economic development and growth, and contribute to the revitalization of the surrounding communities.

On behalf of our students, staff, faculty and the residents that we serve, we stand united as advocates for a comprehensive transit network that considers the best interests of all of Scarborough, because we understand and value the collective positive impact that it will make. The Eglinton East LRT is urgently required to serve the residents of Scarborough and to facilitate the transformation of our communities.

We urge Council to move forward with funding for the Eglinton East LRT. Together with the Line 2 East Extension (Scarborough subway), these transit initiatives will unlock new local investment and intensification, resulting in strong redevelopment opportunities for housing,

employment and services. In addition, they present an opportunity to develop walkable, transit-oriented communities in Scarborough and to connect it to the rest of the City.

Sincerely,



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Elizabeth Buller
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