



October 21, 2019

To: Mayor Tory and Members of Toronto City Council  
Cc: City Manager and Deputy City Manager, Infrastructure and Development

**RE: Letter of Support for Toronto-Ontario Transit Plan and Advancing the Ontario Line**

Dear Mayor Tory and Members of City Council,

The Toronto Entertainment District BIA is writing to you today to provide our endorsement of the Toronto and Provincial Transit Plan and in particular, we want to convey our strong support for prioritizing the urgent need for a relief line south which will be achieved through the Ontario Line.

We attended the Provincial announcement on October 18, 2019 and we were very pleased to hear from Minister Mulroney on her commitment to this "congestion busting" plan.

All of the transit plan initiatives are extremely important to the City and GTHA but we want to reemphasize the importance of the Relief Line South which will be addressed through the Ontario Line plan.

Further to this, the overall Ontario Line is also very important as it supports the continued growth in the King-Spadina area and addresses the needs for greater transit infrastructure to areas such as Fort York, the future Rail Deck Park, and Ontario Place.

Our BIA will continue to be committed to providing our support to ensure the city's downtown core remains vibrant and sustainable as the economic engine of the City, Province and Canada.

A great deal of City and Provincial collaborative work has gone into this plan and we want to extend our sincere thanks to the staff who have done extensive work to bring this plan forward.

Thank you for your time on this important matter.

Sincere regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Janice Solomon".

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Mayor John Tory

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