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**City Councillor | Ward 14 Toronto-Danforth**

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Infrastructure and Environment Committee  
City of Toronto

**RE: IE 28.1 Congestion Management Plan – 2026 Spring Update**

Dear Members of the Infrastructure and Environment Committee,

I would like to place the following motions from the Board of Trade's *Breaking Gridlock: Finishing the Job through Provincial Action* as part of IE28.1.

1. City Council request the Ontario Minister of Transportation to take action based on the following recommendations raised in the Toronto Region Board of Trade's report *Breaking Gridlock: Finishing the Job through Provincial Action* to address traffic congestion in the City of Toronto:
  - a. Amend Provincial legislation to enable the City to make use of automated enforcement tools to enhance enforcement of traffic by-laws for offences such as blocking intersections, parking violations, bike lane violations, transit lane violations, and similar infractions that contribute to increased traffic congestion.
  - b. Reduce the impact of lane closures on City streets and enhance the coordination of construction by directing provincial agencies to participate in and comply with all City-led processes that manage access to the City's right-of-way;
  - c. Ensure the scope of any studies or planning associated with increasing 400 series highway capacity take into account the full cost of traffic congestion, including impacts on the City's street and transit networks;
  - d. Support the growth of transit and mobility in the City and in the Greater Toronto and Hamilton Area region, building on capital investment by contributing to state-of-good-repair;
  - e. Support the City financially with the rollout of a comprehensive smart signal system;
  - f. Partner with the City, and potentially other municipalities in the Greater Toronto and Hamilton Area region, in development of a digital twin of the transportation network to support collaborative and coordinated traffic management; and
  - g. Direct MTO staff to work with the City of Toronto's Chief Congestion Officer in a collaborative manner to advance the objectives related to congestion management including those outlined in the Congestion Management Report update.

Sincerely,

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