



The Corporation of the Town of Tecumseh Office of the Mayor



Mayor Gary McNamara

August 21, 2019

The Hon. Caroline Mulroney
Ministry of Transportation
5th Floor, 777 Bay St.
Toronto, ON M7A 1Z8

Dear Minister Mulroney,

It was a pleasure to see you in Leamington on August 12th for the Provincial Government's much anticipated and desperately-needed announcement about the widening of Hwy. 3 between Essex and Leamington. For many years municipalities in the County of Essex have voiced how essential these improvements are and we are looking forward to seeing the work begin.

We are confident that Province's decision to widen Hwy. 3 from two to four lanes will not only help reduce the rising volume of crashes along that stretch of roadway, but the severity of them as well. With 60% of Essex-Windsor EMS calls on Hwy. 3 being classified as critical in nature, we believe these crashes could be reduced by as much as 42% as a result of the impending expansion.

As well, with 75% of agri-business production exported via Hwy. 3, the importance of the highway will continue to grow in direct response to our area's booming agricultural sector and population growth.

Thank you for the Government's commitment to making this project a priority for our region. We look forward to when the first shovel hits the ground!

Sincerely,

Gary McNamara
Mayor