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RE: Council motion on cannabis in the city of Brampton

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Dear Mayor Patrick Brown,

Thank you for reaching out to our offices for input on this important matter.

Cannabis is legal and needs clear regulation from the Premier, and the Conservative government is responsible for decisions made at the provincial level.

Whether or not to opt in is a decision that council will have to make, and we will respect that decision. We believe it is important that municipalities have a voice in deciding where stores can be located, and have a share in revenues. We understand and value the need for public safety, and want to ensure that people have safe access to what is now a legal substance.

Alcohol sales through responsible publically owned channels like the LCBO maintain a strong social responsibility and ensure the financial benefits go back to the people of Ontario. We are disappointed that Premier Ford chose not to take advantage of a public option that has a clear record of responsibility and public benefit.

Please note that MPP Sara Singh and MPP Kevin Yarde will be present on Monday January 21st for the Special Council Meeting.

If you have any further questions please do not hesitate to reach out to our offices.

Sincerely,

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