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Ms. Joann Simmons  
Regional Municipality of York,  
Community Services and Housing Dept., 17250 Yonge St., 3rd Floor  
Newmarket ON L3Y 6Z1

Dear Ms. Simmons,

On behalf of the Toronto Association of Business Improvement Areas (TABIA) and the Ontario Business Improvement Area Association (OBIAA) we would like to congratulate the *Regional Municipality of York* on being selected for a 2006 Ontario Mainstreet Accessibility Award.

This Award acknowledges your contribution to improving accessibility and removing barriers for people with disabilities in Ontario. In particular the *Regional Municipality of York* is being recognized for: **Outstanding leadership and vision for improving accessibility within diverse communities.**

Early in the New Year you will receive:

- an Ontario Mainstreet Accessibility Award Certificate
- a letter of congratulations from the Minister of Community and Social Services
- an award graphic suitable for posting on your website
- a draft Press Release which you can modify as needed to help you promote this outstanding accomplishment in your local media.

As you are aware, addressing the needs of Ontarians with disabilities requires both short and long term commitments, and your outstanding efforts to date ensures your community can be recognized as being on the leading edge of change towards making Ontario accessible for all!

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'John J. Kiru', is written over a large, stylized, light-colored graphic element that resembles a large, flowing 'J' or a signature flourish.

John J. Kiru, B.A.A. UPLN, MCIP  
Executive Director  
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cc: Mr. Wilf Morley, York Region AAC

