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Mr. Denis Kelly
Regional Clerk
The Regional Municipality of York
17250 Yonge Street
Newmarket, Ontario
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Dear Mr. Kelly:

Thank you for your letter regarding the Regional Council's resolution about GO Transit's 10-Year Growth Capital Plan.

I am pleased to hear that the Regional Council has endorsed GO Transit's 10-Year Growth Capital Plan in principle and that York Region continues to support GO Transit's growth program. The Ministry of Transportation (MTO) is working with York Region, GO Transit and other participating municipalities to finalize the "2004 Development Charge Background Study for GO Transit Service" report. Under section 10 of the *Development Charge Act, 1997*, it is a mandatory requirement to complete the study before a development bylaw can be assessed.

With respect to the Regional Council's request for additional capital works as an addendum to GO Transit's 10-Year Growth Capital Plan, I am asking GO Transit to review these proposals and report back to the York Regional Council.

This government is committed to working closely with York Region and other participating municipalities so that GO Transit can continue to implement its growth capital projects with municipal contributions to expand the network and increase the number of trains in response to customer demands.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read 'H. Takhar'.

Harinder S. Takhar
Minister

c: Gary McNeil, Managing Director, GO Transit