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JAVANAN TORONTO (PRINT): APRIL 26, 2018

- **Ontario's first legal marijuana stores end up next to a public school (Page 43)**
Ontario Premier Kathleen Wynne wants answers about Toronto's first legal cannabis store and why its proposed location is within walking distance of Blantyre Public School. Toronto families whose children attend Blantyre Public School just south of Victoria Park Avenue and Gerrard Street East say the strip mall is a place where many elementary and high school students go at lunchtime to get food. The Toronto District School Board said it had asked to be consulted about the location but never was.

- **The Ontario government is giving out \$14,000 to help you buy a Tesla car (Page 43)**
Tesla cars are seen as very good but also very expensive. The company Model S, for example, would cost \$86,800 to buy - which is of course kind of outrageous for a car. Now the Government of Ontario wants to help you buy that car by giving you some money to spend on it. That is right; they will give you a money rebate to help get you into a Tesla.

ITALIAN COMMUNITY MEDIA

CORRIERE CANADESE (PRINT): MAY 2, 2018

- **Greenbelt, Kathleen Wynne accuses Doug Ford (Page 2)**
Francesco Veronesi - Saying Ontario's Greenbelt must be defended, Premier Kathleen Wynne has accused Conservative Leader Doug Ford of having sold himself to the developers in view of the upcoming provincial elections. The Liberals released a video in which Ford promised a group of developers that if he won the election, he would modify the law that protects the Greenbelt, thereby opening the door to construction in the area. Francesco Veronesi wonders whether Villa Charities might use a Conservative victory in the elections to revive a plan to demolish the Columbus Centre. A cartoon by Ynot shows Ford at a podium surrounded by treehouses and saying, "You misunderstood me... I will not cut any trees."
- **Human Rights Tribunal: Racism at the restaurant, young man compensated with \$10,000 (Page 3)**
The Ontario Human Rights Tribunal has ordered a Toronto restaurant to pay \$10,000 to a client subjected to racial discrimination in May 2014. Emile Wickham, who is Black, was told to pay in advance before eating with some friends at the Hong Shing restaurant. While the restaurant told Wickham that this was standard procedure, he discovered that only he and his friends were required to pay in advance.

CHIN FM 100.7 ITALIAN (RADIO): MAY 2, 2018

- **Ontario financial accountability officer says "severe spending restraint" could lead to balanced books by 2025**
Vittorio Coco - Ontario's Financial Accountability Officer (FAO) is warning that the province's deficit will triple to \$12 billion this year given lower revenues and the provincial government's spending promises in its budget. The FAO says promised services such as free childcare for preschoolers, more pharmacare and dental care will mean an extra \$4 billion.
- **Doug Ford changes plans on Greenbelt development**
Vittorio Coco - Ontario Progressive Conservative Leader Doug Ford said in a statement that he had changed his mind about the Greenbelt "after consultations with the people of Ontario" and that the coming PC Party platform would pledge not to touch it. His move came just a day after the Ontario Liberals released a web video that showed Ford pledging to release a large portion of the Greenbelt in order to reduce housing prices.

HISPANIC AND LATINO COMMUNITY MEDIA

DIARIO EL POPULAR (PRINT): APRIL 27, 2018

- **In a scathing pre-electoral report, the Ontario auditor general says the deficit is \$11.7 billion, not \$6.7 billion (Page 4)**
In a 27-page report, Ontario Auditor General Bonnie Lysyk warns that the province's deficit projections are much higher than outlined in the recent budget. According to Lysyk, this year's deficit is \$11.7 billion, not \$6.7 billion as forecast by Finance Minister Charles Sousa on March 28. When expenses are underestimated, she says, it creates the perception that the government has more money available than it actually does. Lysyk's report is a political gift for Conservative Leader Doug Ford and NDP Leader Andrea Horwath.

CHIN FM 100.7 SPANISH (RADIO): MAY 2, 2018

- **Ontario deficit to jump to almost \$12 billion in 2018**
Just a few weeks before the Ontario provincial elections, the Financial Accountability Office (FAO) said the province's deficit will jump to nearly \$12 billion this year. The FAO said the jump is a result of higher spending in the Liberal government's 2018 budget and weak revenue gains.
- **Power restored after big outage**
Power has been restored in Pickering and parts of Ajax, Ontario, after a massive outage. The outage was caused by a loss of Hydro One supply.

TAMIL COMMUNITY MEDIA

CMR FM 101.3 TAMIL (RADIO): MAY 2, 2018

- **Ontario deficit to jump to almost \$12 billion in 2018**
A new report from the Financial Accountability Office (FAO) shows that Ontario's budget deficit is actually \$11.8 billion instead of the \$6.7 billion figure reported by the provincial Liberals. Ontario's fiscal watchdog says the province's deficit will jump to almost \$12 billion this year as a result of higher spending in the Liberal government's 2018 budget and weak revenue gains. The FAO also says the government's spending plan will add about \$70 billion to the province's net debt, increasing it to almost \$400 billion in 2020-21.