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Mr. Amarjot Sandhu
Chair
Standing Committee on Finance and Economic Affairs
Queen's Park

RE: Study and recommendations related to the Economic and Fiscal Update, 2020

Dear Mr. Sandhu,

I write to you today on behalf of the City of Mississauga to request time before the Standing Committee to provide feedback on and recommendations to address the impacts of COVID-19 on the City of Mississauga and the wider municipal sector.

Mississauga is the 3rd largest city in Ontario and sixth in the country. Like many of the large urban centres in Ontario, COVID-19 has impacted our budgets significantly. At present, we are facing a \$60M deficit for 2020 and echo effects in the tens of millions in the years to come. The experience of Mississauga is similar to many other municipalities in the GTHA and across the province.

I would appreciate the opportunity to provide constructive feedback to the government on not only the importance of providing emergency assistance to municipalities in the short term, but how our two levels of government can work together in the long-term to develop stimulus measures to kick-start our economy. Cities are the economic engines of this province and for a strong recovery to occur, cities need to be operating at their peak.

Thank you for your consideration of my request to speak.

Warm Regards,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Bonnie Crombie".

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