Hon. Monte McNaughton  
Minister  
Ministry of Infrastructure  
Hearst Block, 8th Floor  
900 Bay Street  
Toronto, Ontario M7A 2E1  

Minister McNaughton:  

I recently met with representatives from the Ontario Good Roads Association (OGRA) as part of their annual advocacy day.  

Part of our discussion focused on the resources needed for municipalities to comply with the Asset Management Planning for Municipal Infrastructure Regulation (O. Reg. 588/17). OGRA has proposed the following solutions:  

- The creation of a two-year dedicated matching entitlement-based fund that provides municipalities with the capital that they need to enhance their asset management plans;  
- Following the completion of the above fund, the Government commit to dedicating 0.05% of future infrastructure funding to asset management planning; and  
- Begin the process of standardizing the data used in asset management planning.  

OGRA impressed on me how the development of the regulation is an important step in the province’s efforts to be a world leader in asset management planning. At the same time, I learned about how municipalities face significant challenges in complying with the proposed Municipal Asset Management Planning Regulation. OGRA has identified innovative solutions to this challenge that will help municipalities and provide the province with important insights about the state of our shared infrastructure.  

I am writing to you in support of OGRA’s proposed solutions. I hope you will join me in supporting this important initiative.  

Sincerely,  

Member of Provincial Parliament  

c. Ontario Good Roads Association
Hon. Caroline Mulroney  
Attorney General  
Ministry of the Attorney General  
11th Floor  
720 Bay Street  
Toronto, Ontario M7A 2S9

Minister Mulroney:

I recently met with representatives from the Ontario Good Roads Association (OGRA).

OGRA’s representatives raised the need to modify joint and several liability as it applies to municipalities. In its current form, joint and several liability unfairly disadvantages municipalities who are seen by litigants as deep-pocketed defendants.

OGRA is asking you to convene a working group – comprised of municipal and provincial stakeholders and representatives in good standing with the Law Society of Upper Canada – to examine options for reforming joint and several liability as it applies to Ontario municipalities.

I am writing to you in support of OGRA’s call for a working group. I hope you will join me in supporting this important initiative.

Sincerely,

Member of Provincial Parliament

c. Ontario Good Roads Association
Minister Yurek:

I recently met with representatives from the Ontario Good Roads Association (OGRA) as part of their annual advocacy day.

Part of our discussion focused on the development of a provincewide Vision Zero-based road safety framework.

Avoidable roadway fatalities and injuries continue to happen with far too much regularity across Ontario. Rather than accepting these tragedies as inevitable events, Ontario could eliminate such events by implementing a Vision Zero framework. Other jurisdictions, both domestically and internationally, have demonstrated that when Vision Zero is implemented roadways become safer and the number of tragedies declines.

OGRA has proposed that, as Minister of Transportation, you convene a task force to advise the government on how a Vision Zero strategy can be developed and deployed in Ontario.

I am writing to you in support of OGRA’s proposal. I hope you will join me in supporting this important initiative.

Sincerely,

Member of Provincial Parliament

c. Ontario Good Roads Association