September 20, 2007

The Right Honourable Stephen Harper
Prime Minister
House of Commons
Ottawa, ON K1A 0A6

MEMORANDUM FROM DR. ROBERT KYLE, COMMISSIONER
& MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH, DATED SEPTEMBER 6,
2007 RE: LEGAL BLOOD ALCOHOL CONCENTRATION
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Right Honourable Minister, please be advised the Health & Social Services Committee of Regional Council considered the above matter and at a meeting held on September 19, 2007 Council adopted the following recommendations of the Committee:

"a) THAT the position of Addictions Ontario, Centre for Addiction and Mental Health, Mothers Against Drunk Driving and the Ontario Public Health Association that the legal blood alcohol concentration be reduced from 80 mg% to 50 mg% be endorsed; and

b) THAT the Prime Minister of Canada, Attorney General of Canada and Minister of Justice, Ministers of Health and Transport, Infrastructure and Communities, Durham's MPs, Chief Public Health Officer of Canada, Premier of Ontario, Ministers of Health and Long-Term Care, Health Promotion and Transportation, Durham's MPPs, Acting Chief Medical Officer of Health, aPHa, OPHA and all Ontario boards of health be so advised."

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c: The Honourable Rob Nicholson, Minister of Justice, Attorney General of Canada
The Honourable Tony Clement, Minister of Health Canada
The Honourable Lawrence Cannon, Minister of Transport, Infrastructure and Communities
Dr. Colin Carrie, M.P. (Oshawa)
The Honourable Jim Flaherty M.P. (Whitby/Oshawa)
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The Honourable Dalton McGuinty, Premier
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