Mayor Fred Eisenberger; Cc: City Councillors  
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Dear Mayor,

As Canada welcomes the world’s Olympic athletes to Vancouver, it is with great anticipation that we in Ontario look forward to hosting the Pan American Games in 2015. The announcement of Toronto’s successful bid was a proud moment for all Ontarians, especially those living and working in the Greater Toronto Area.

These Games will not only give us the chance to host athletes from across the Americas, showcasing remarkable talent; they will also give us the opportunity to rebuild and revitalize our communities through new investments in infrastructure. The City of Hamilton in particular, will benefit from the construction of a spectacular athletics stadium at the West Harbourfront. Cleaning up this brownfield site to create a world-class, multi-purpose facility is the responsible environmental solution for this part of the city, creating 1,750 green jobs.

I am also thrilled to hear that Hamilton will be home to a new, state-of-the art Velodrome and Olympic-size swimming pool at McMaster University. Taken together, these initiatives will make the city a world-famous sports hub in addition to keeping Hamilton and our communities healthy and active for many years to come.

There is no doubt that tremendous planning and coordination went into making the Greater Golden Horseshoe bid a success. Having the privilege to serve on the Board of Directors for these Games, I have seen first-hand how successful partnerships between businesses, unions, and all levels of government can affect positive change by bringing environmentally-sustainable investments into our communities. However, much more work lies ahead as we move forward to get shovels in the ground so that the Pan Am vision can become a reality.

On behalf of the Provincial Building and Construction Trades Council of Ontario, I congratulate you on the hard work you have done in bringing the games to Hamilton. I also look forward to working with you and all members of City Council as we move ahead to get these exciting projects underway.

Sincerely,

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