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His Worship Fred Eisenberger
Mayor of Hamilton
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Dear Mayor Eisenberger:

Thank you for your letter requesting a copy of the Ontario Heritage Trust’s report on the Lister Building.

I appreciate the City of Hamilton’s interest in the Lister Building and the report of the Ontario Heritage Trust. However, disclosure of this report would be contrary to the purpose of Section 13 (1) of the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act, an exemption that ensures the free flow of advice and recommendations within the deliberative process of government decision-making.

I am pleased that the Province has made a $7 million funding commitment to assist the City in development of a long-term solution that ensures the retention and restoration of the Lister Building in accordance with sound heritage conservation practice.

Thank you again for your interest in this important matter.

Yours truly,

[Signature]

M. Aileen Carroll
Minister