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Dear Elected Official,

It was wonderful to see so many of you at ROMA and to have meaningful conversations about the issues impacting our municipalities. One of the most consistent topics was the urgent need for **sustainable and predictable infrastructure funding** to support our communities.

I’m thrilled to share that over **100 municipalities** have now joined this important push by passing the motion calling for the province to redistribute a portion of the Land Transfer Tax and the federal government to allocate part of the GST on new home sales to municipalities. This growing momentum highlights our collective understanding of the importance of adequately funding critical infrastructure without placing an additional burden on residents through increased property taxes.

With the looming possibility of an early provincial election, it’s more important than ever to show a **united front**. We need to ensure that not only the current provincial government but **all political parties** understand that municipalities across the province stand together on this issue.

If your Council has not yet passed this motion, I encourage you to bring it forward for consideration. Every additional voice strengthens our case and amplifies our message that sustainable infrastructure funding is a **shared priority** for all municipalities.

Thank you to those who have already taken action and passed this motion. Your leadership is driving meaningful change. For those still considering, I'd be happy to provide any support or answer questions to help move this forward.

Let's continue to work together for the financial future of our municipalities.

Warm regards,

Tom Mrakas
Mayor Town of Aurora



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