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Hon. Monte McNaughton
Rick Nicholls, MPP

Good Day Sirs – I trust you are well and staying safe.

Today I am contacting you in regards to the recent announcement of the regional transportation Southwest Task Force. As you might imagine, it was a disappointment to note that there is no representation, to date, of Chatham-Kent. It goes without saying of the importance of transportation in, around and through Chatham-Kent, particularly as we recognize Hwy. 401 breathes through the core of our municipality with approximately 63 kilometres of highway investment, a highway of prosperity. Beyond this, roads, trails and diverse interconnections are of great importance in the portable lifestyle of today, and even more so as we plan for the future.

My ask of you is to ensure that Chatham-Kent has representation on the Southwest Task Force as we identify the extreme importance this initiative has to the well being of Chatham-Kent and fellow surrounding areas. As a gateway to, and from, Ontario, the significance of the Southwest Task Force responsibilities to government, business, safety and economic prosperity is beyond measure. I wish to believe the lack of secured Chatham-Kent representation is a mere oversight.

While we recognize a Municipal Council representative is of extreme importance, it is also our offer, as the local voice of business and devotee of prosperity and wellness, to assist with business representation to this valuable endeavour. I trust that you will make every effort to ensure delegation of Chatham-Kent sits on the Southwest Task Force for your constituents, our neighbouring communities and Ontario at large.

I look forward to learning of positive reception to this communication. Together, we can prosper and ensure that Ontario continues to be a magnet to live, work and play, safely, for all.

Yours in Prosperity, Gail

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