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The Conservative Party of Canada recognizes the importance of investment in public infrastructure. State-of-the-art infrastructure moves people, goods and services to market and improves business competitiveness, allowing the economy to grow and prosper.

In 2007, the Conservative Government launched an ambitious plan to help provinces, territories and municipalities address their infrastructure needs. The Building Canada plan is supported by \$33 billion in federal funding over seven years.

For the Region of Peel, this has resulted in more than 138 projects being supported in water, roads, transportation, police, fire and ambulance facilities, libraries, community and recreation centres and a new City Hall festival square.

Such projects included federal funding of:

- \$35 million for a new instructional centre at the University of Toronto Mississauga Campus and a \$15.6 million contribution for the Mississauga Campus of Sheridan College under the Knowledge Infrastructure Program.
- \$11.7 million for 84 projects to repair 9,076 existing social housing units in Mississauga through the Social Housing Renovation and Retrofit Program.
- \$83 million for GO Transit, including two new parking structures which will create an additional 960 parking spaces for the Erindale station and 1000 new spots for the Cooksville station.

As the global economy was entering the worst financial and economic crisis since the 1930s, the Conservative Government accelerated this investment and introduced new stimulus initiatives under Canada's Economic Action Plan to boost infrastructure investment during the 2009 and 2010 construction seasons. Work on some of these projects will continue through to the end of October 2011.

On April 8th, 2011 The Federation of Canadian Municipalities stated that they strongly supported the "commitment by the Conservative Party to work with us to develop a long-term infrastructure plan to replace the soon-to-expire Building Canada Plan and enshrine the permanent Gas Tax Fund in legislation."

Going forward, a Conservative Government will work with provinces, territories, the Federation of Canadian Municipalities and other stakeholders to develop a long-term plan for public infrastructure that extends beyond the expiry of the Building Canada plan.

Unlike the Liberal plan to cut the \$1 billion P3 Infrastructure Fund, Stephen Harper's Conservative Party of Canada clearly reaffirms its support for the P3 Infrastructure Fund, which has been heralded across the country.

A re-elected Conservative Government will continue to make important investments in public infrastructure and supports the use of public-private partnerships in delivering infrastructure programs and projects.

Sincerely,

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