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Subject: Bill 9 MPP Lorne Coe

Good Morning:

On September 29th, 2016, Bill 9, entitled, *End Age Discrimination Against Stroke Recovery Patients Act, 2016.*, the legislation that MPP Lorne Coe earlier introduced, was debated and passed second reading in the Ontario Legislature. It has now been referred to the Standing Committee on Social Policy for its consideration.

The Bill is short and to the point. It says simply:

- 1. Subsection 6(1) of the Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care Act is amended by adding the following paragraph:*
- 12. To ensure that any treatment recommended by a physician for a patient who is recovering from a stroke is provided to that patient promptly, regardless of the patient's age.*

This makes it mandatory that any treatment recommended by a physician, for a patient recovering from a stroke, be provided to that patient promptly, regardless of the patient's age. Under current Regulations, stroke survivors are not entitled to publicly funded treatment, if they are between the ages of nineteen and sixty-four.

On September 26th, 2016, The Corporation of the Township of Uxbridge passed a Resolution supporting Bill 9. The Town of Whitby and the City of Oshawa have followed suit. It read as follows:

THAT the Council of the Township of Uxbridge support Bill 9 which states that all stroke victims receive care regardless of their age.

The Township then sent a letter of confirmation to the Health and Long Term Care Minister, Eric Hoskins.

MPP Coe would ask that your municipality consider placing a similar resolution before Council for its consideration, and then send a letter acknowledging same, to the Minister of Health and Long Term Care. It is important that we have a broad base of support for this Legislation as it moves through the Committee process.

Thank you for your anticipated co-operation and support.

Regards,

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