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The Honourable Eric Hoskins
Minister of Health and Long-term Care
Hepburn Block, 10th Floor
80 Grosvenor St
Toronto ON M7A 2C4

Dear Minister:

Re: Retraction of the Proposed Increase in ODB Premium

On behalf of the 18,500 members of the Municipal Retirees Organization Ontario, I would like to congratulate the government for having retracted its proposal to increase the annual ODB premium from \$100 to \$170. This action shows your concern for fair treatment of Ontario's seniors.

We realize of course that your government must continue to seek ways to restrain the increase in Provincial health care costs as Ontario's population ages. In our view, however, given the impact on seniors with incomes close to the ODB low income cut off, this proposal was not the right way to do so.

As retirees, we value the ODB program highly. Indeed, we strongly support your efforts to place a full pharmacare program on the public agenda. We would be pleased to express our support for your efforts. Please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely

William Harford, President

Protecting the pensions and enhancing the quality of life for all OMERS pensioners.