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March 16, 2005

**Mr. Mario Silva, M.P.
Davenport
1674 St. Clair Avenue West
Toronto, Ontario
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Re: High speed rail link between Lester B. Pearson International Airport (LBPIA) and Union Station

Dear Mario,

As has been stated before, the project and the implications in the Canadian National Railway Weston Subdivision for the Go Transit Service are of great concern to residents of both Davenport and York South-Weston.

Consequently, I have appreciated very much the manner in which you have kept both myself and my office up to date on the results of initiatives you have taken on behalf of the residents in the St. Clair and Keele/Weston Road/Old Weston Road area. In these areas in particular, I have been following your correspondence seeking improvements to the proposal for grade separation, in order that Weston communities and new communities are not and will not be cut in two.

In our continued efforts of information sharing, please find enclosed copies of correspondence, which I placed before the Go Transit Board in a deputation last Friday, March 11, 2005. You will note that the Go Transit resolution deals with the public process, which has been lacking in the Weston area. Additionally, my letter to the Minister of Transportation emphasizing the commitment made by former Minister Collenette to allocate three hundred and eight-five million dollars to Go Transit for, "grade separation or overpasses along the Canadian National Railway Weston Subdivision".

I have requested a meeting with the Minister to pursue all issues related to the Go transit/Air Rail Link project. Further to that, Go Transit officials have requested that when this meeting is held that they too would like to attend. It would seem prudent for the Councillor in the area and MP for Davenport to attend such a meeting and I will notify the Minister by way of copy of this letter.



I would recommend that you write directly to the Minister requesting a meeting and that all affected members be included.

Thanks-you and let us continue to keep in touch.

Best regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Alan Tonks". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Alan Tonks, M.P.

Cc: Honourable Jean Lapierre, Minister of Transportation