



June 26, 2008

The Honourable Margaret Best
Minister of Health Promotion
777 Bay Street, 18th Floor
Toronto ON M7A 1S5

Dear Minister Best:

Re: The Role of Health Units in Smoke-Free Ontario Cessation Strategy

On June 20, 2008, at a regular Board of Health meeting for Grey Bruce Health Unit, the Board considered the attached resolution from Municipality of Chatham-Kent advocating for 100% funding for comprehensive smoking cessation programs, locally and for all public health units. The following resolution 2008-76 was passed:

THAT, the Board of Health endorse the letter of request made by the Municipality of Chatham-Kent Health Unit dated May 21, 2008, regarding the role of health units in *Smoke-Free Ontario Cessation Strategy*, and further

THAT, the Premier of Ontario, Ministry of Health Promotion, Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care, Acting Chief Medical Officer of Health, alPHa, local Members of Provincial and Federal Parliament, and all Ontario Boards of Health be so advised.

Yours truly,

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