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Dear Dr. Grzeslo and Dr. Mills:

Your presentation to the Heath Committee of the Burlington Chamber of Commerce on Friday morning introduced us to your exciting concept of a new program to be located in Burlington to teach young doctors to become Family Physicians.

Your vision includes the development of a Learning Centre in collaboration with McMaster University and its Department of Family Medicine. This facility will provide a much needed community service as well as academic experience enabling physicians training to be specialists in Family Medicine to gain the skills and confidence they will require once they begin practice on their own.

From your talk, we understand that you are seeking an endorsement from the Chamber in support of your application to the Ministry of Health and Long Term Care for Family Health Team funding. This financial support from the Ministry would allow the Burlington Family Medicine Learning Centre the opportunity to round out its service and teaching team with Nurse Practitioners, Social Workers, and other ancillary health care providers.

This team approach to providing Family Medicine care to the Burlington patients attending the Centre would be unique. It would not only bring additional expertise to serving health needs, but it would give training physicians the chance to work within this multidisciplinary group and give them the example they need to reproduce this concept when they launch into their own practices.

The Burlington Chamber of Commerce endorses in principle this project and supports your application to the Ministry of Health and Long Term Care for Family Health Team funding. In creating this new model, we see opportunities for the City of Burlington, opportunities for Burlington businesses, and most important, opportunities for the citizens of Burlington.

We wish you success in this application.

Sincerely,

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Richard Burgess
Chair

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Keith Hoey
President