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November 6, 2025

Via email: mark.carney@parl.gc.ca

Office of the Prime Minister 80 Wellington Street Ottawa. ON K1A 0A2

Dear Hon. Mark Carney,

Re: Removing HST/GST from New Homes to Support Housing Affordability

Please be advised that South Huron Council passed the following resolution at their November 3, 2025, Regular Council Meeting:

444-2025

Moved By: Ted Oke

Seconded by: Jim Dietrich

That South Huron Council supports the October 21, 2025 Resolution of the Town of Bradford West Gwillimbury regarding removing HST/GST from new homes to support housing affordability; and

That the supporting resolution and originating documentation be circulated to the Prime Minister of Canada, Minister of Finance and the Minister of Housing, Infrastructure and Communities; and to the Premier of Ontario, the Ontario Minister of Finance, the Ontario Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, MP Lobb and MPP Thompson, AMO, and to all municipalities in Ontario.

Result: Carried

Please find attached the originating correspondence for your reference.

Respectfully,

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Encl.

cc: Minister of Finance and National Revenue, Hon. Francois-Philippe Champagne, minister-ministre@fin.gc.ca; Minister of Housing and Infrastructure, Hon. Gregor Robertson, gregor.robertson@parl.gc.ca; Premier of Ontario, Hon. Doug Ford, doug.fordco@pc.ola.org; Ontario Minister of Finance, Hon. Peter Bethlenfalvy, peter.bethlenfalvy@pc.ola.org; Ontario Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, Hon. Rob Flack, rob.flack@pc.ola.org; MP Lobb, ben.lobb@parl.gc.ca; MPP Thompson, lisa.thompson@pc.ola.org; AMO, resolutions@amo.on.ca; and all Ontario Municipalities



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October 27, 2025

The Right Honourable Mark Carney P.C., O.C., M.P. Office of the Prime Minister of Canada 80 Wellington Street Ottawa, ON K1A 0A2

The Honourable Doug Ford MPP Premier of Ontario Legislative Building Queen's Park Toronto, ON M7A 1A1

Dear Prime Minister Carney and Premier Ford:

Re: Removing HST/GST from New Homes to Support Housing Affordability

At its meeting of October 21, 2025, the Council of the Town of Bradford West Gwillimbury adopted the enclosed motion calling on the Governments of Canada and Ontario to remove the federal and provincial portions of the HST from new homes purchased as primary residences.

This measure would extend the relief already provided for purpose-built rental housing to families seeking to buy their first home. It represents a practical, immediate step toward improving affordability and supporting new housing supply.

For an average new home in our community, the 13 percent HST adds tens of thousands of dollars to the purchase price, a burden that directly undermines our shared goal of making homeownership affordable for working families and seniors. Removing that tax would provide meaningful relief.

Bradford West Gwillimbury is one of Ontario's fastest-growing municipalities, investing heavily in growth-related infrastructure while working to keep housing within reach. We urge both levels of government to work together on this change as part of a broader strategy to make homeownership attainable again for young Canadians. Simply put, cutting taxes in this way will help make life more affordable.

We would welcome the opportunity to contribute to any federal–provincial review of housing-related taxation and policy tools that can help deliver more affordable homes.

Sincerely,

Mayor James Leduc

Town of Bradford West Gwillimbury

Jonathan Scott Councillor, Ward 2

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CC:

Hon. François-Phillipe Champagne PC MP

Hon Peter Bethlenfavly MPP

Hon. Caroline Mulroney MPP

Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM)

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Hon. Gregor Robertson PC MP

Hon. Rob Flack MPP Scot Davidson MP

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