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Riley Brockington
City Councillor, Ward 16 River, City of Ottawa
President, Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO)

Dear Riley,

On behalf of the Ontario Public School Boards' Association (OPSBA), congratulations on your election as President of the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO). Your extensive experience in municipal government, including your service as an Ottawa City Councillor and your leadership on the AMO Board of Directors, including most recently as Chair of the Regional and Single Tier Caucus, will serve you well in this important role.

Your longstanding connection to public education makes this appointment particularly meaningful to us. We appreciate and thank you for your contributions and dedication shown during your two terms as a public school board trustee for the Ottawa-Carleton District School Board and your participation in our Association, including as one of its Vice-President in 2009. Your experience provides you with a valuable understanding of school board governance, the important role of trustees, and the challenges facing Ontario's publicly funded education system.

OPSBA represents nearly 1.4 million students, or almost 70% of the entire K-12 student population, including all 31 English public school boards and 10 school authorities. We advocate every day for students and look forward to working with AMO and our municipal partners on issues that affect the communities we collectively serve.

There are many areas where the interests of municipalities and school boards intersect, from infrastructure and capital planning to student nutrition, transportation, mental health, community partnerships, the OMERS pension plan, and the broader social and economic challenges facing Ontario communities. Your experience at both the school board and municipal levels gives you a unique perspective on the importance of collaboration and advocacy across these sectors.

We would very much welcome the opportunity to meet with you virtually in the coming weeks to congratulate you personally, introduce you to our current OPSBA priorities, and discuss opportunities for OPSBA and AMO to work together on issues of mutual importance. We would also be pleased to explore opportunities for you to engage with OPSBA and our trustees in the future.

Once again, congratulations on your appointment as President of AMO. We look forward to working with you and to building on the strong relationship between our two organizations.

Sincerely,



Kathleen Woodcock, President, Ontario Public School Boards' Association

cc:
Stephanie Donaldson, Executive Director, OPSBA
Lindsay Jones, Executive Director, AMO