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Premier Doug Ford
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Dear Premier Ford,

I am writing to draw your attention to a letter that was sent to you and Prime Minister Trudeau yesterday by Guelph City Council.

The City of Guelph has passed a resolution calling on the Provincial and Federal governments to help local municipalities assist their local cultural, social benefit, and charitable organizations with additional relief funding programs to help sustain the important work they do in our community.

Ontario's non-profits and charities in particular have shouldered an enormous burden during the Covid-19 pandemic, and the province owes a massive amount of thanks to them for supporting our constituents during these hard times.

I have expressed my recommendation for further stabilization funding to municipalities, including cultural, social and charitable organizations during the economic recovery committee meetings this summer and so am echoing those recommendations once more.

I appreciate the pressure you are under to provide funding to so many different sectors, however providing adequate funding to our municipalities is essential to any successful recovery.

I appreciate your consideration of Guelph's request while you and the Minister of Finance finalize your upcoming budget.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Mike Schreiner".

Mike Schreiner
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Encl.
Cc: Minister Phillips