Mayors Of Ontario's Largest Cities Want To Hear From Provincial Candidates

For Immediate Release

The Large Urban Mayors' Caucus of Ontario (LUMCO) has invited each of the three Ontario party leaders to attend a special meeting in Brampton on May 23. LUMCO will provide each leader or designate the chance to discuss their platform as it directly relates to Ontario's big cities.

"We're working to advance the issues facing the majority of Ontarians," says Mayor Jeff Lehman, LUMCO chair. "This Provincial election campaign provides us the perfect opportunity to find out where the leaders stand on our key priorities. We remain cautiously optimistic and hopeful that the important issues of infrastructure, transit and job creation will remain on the Provincial agenda, regardless of the election outcome."

During the 2014 provincial election, LUMCO's focus is on three key issues:

- 1. Gridlock and transit/transportation (Greater Toronto Hamilton Area (GTHA) and cities outside the GTHA)
- 2. The rising cost of emergency services
- 3. Job creation in Ontario

The meeting will be closed to media. Following the meeting, the Mayors will issue a media statement based on the discussions.

The Large Urban Mayors' Caucus of Ontario (LUMCO) represents 67% of Ontario's population with Mayors of 26 communities over 100,000 residents. LUMCO advocates for issues and policies important to Ontario's largest cities. Jeff Lehman, the Mayor of Barrie is the Chair of LUMCO.

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