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His Worship Abraham Zebian  
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Dear Mayor Zebian:

Thank you for your letter dated July 5, 2023, regarding the Railways Act amendments and the Windsor and Hantsport Railway Company specifically. I have been asked to respond on behalf of Minister Masland. I apologize for the delay in response.

Regulations under the Railways Act continue to be under development. I am hopeful that work will be completed by the end of the year. The department will be conducting consultations prior to finalizing the regulations to ensure that issues identified by stakeholders are addressed.

The Province continues to be engaged in legal proceedings with the Windsor and Hantsport Railway Company (WHRC) and as such, I cannot discuss matters related to WHRC at this time. I appreciate your concerns regarding this matter.

I would like to congratulate you on the significant work to develop active transportation options in your communities.

Sincerely,



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