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PEEL REGIONAL COUNCIL UNANIMOUSLY SUPPORTS TRILLIUM HEALTH PARTNERS' PLAN TO BUILD FOR THE COMMUNITY

(Region of Peel, ON) – Today, members of Peel Regional Council unanimously passed a motion of support in favour of Trillium Health Partners' request to the Province of Ontario to make a \$5 million investment towards the next stage of planning for the hospital's capital Master Plan. The Plan includes building 955 beds across the hospital's three sites over the next twenty years. The next stage of planning will detail the services that would be offered through an expansion, and confirm the space requirements.

The resolution was tabled following a presentation to Council by Trillium Health Partners' Board Chair Edward Sellers and President and CEO Michelle DiEmanuele. The presentation highlighted that Trillium Health Partners has more than 270,000 Emergency Department and Urgent Care visits each year, more than any hospital in Ontario. The hospital also leads the province with approximately 66,000 surgeries conducted each year.

Given the growing and aging community it serves, the hospital is caring for approximately 50,000 more patients each and every year. This growth has led to an increase in the number of patients waiting for a bed.

Peel Regional Council acknowledged the work being done for the community at Trillium Health Partners, as well as the work being done by its sister hospitals in the region.

"We appreciate the support of Peel Regional Council as we move forward with the next stage of planning for our capital Master Plan," said Sellers. "Part of our planning has actually been about finding new and innovative ways to care for patients closer to home, reducing the need for hospital beds."

"The Province has always been a partner with us as we work to better meet the needs of our community," said DiEmanuele. "We now need to continue to work together, building inside and outside the walls of the hospital, in addition to health promotion initiatives, we quite simply need more beds if we are going to deliver the highest quality care for our growing and changing community in the years to come."

About Trillium Health Partners:

Trillium Health Partners is one of the largest community-based acute care facilities in Canada. Comprised of Credit Valley Hospital, the Mississauga Hospital and the Queensway Health Centre, Trillium Health Partners serves the growing and diverse populations of Mississauga, West Toronto and surrounding communities. Trillium Health Partners is a teaching hospital affiliated with the University of Toronto. Trillium Health Partners is an associate member of the Toronto Academic Health Science Network.

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