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Dear Ms Longo,

The Ontario Society of Nutrition Professionals in Public Health (OSNPPH) would like to express our appreciation to the Ministry of Health Promotion in supporting the positions of Senior Consultant, Public Health Nutrition. We believe this professional position is essential to support Ontario public health units as they implement the Ontario Public Health Standards.

OSNPPH is the independent and official voice of Registered Dietitians in public health in Ontario representing over 175 members working in every Health Unit/Department in the province. The society's mission is to provide a leadership forum and official voice for public health nutrition practice in Ontario.

OSNPPH values the leadership role of the Ministry of Health Promotion's Senior Consultant, Public Health Nutrition. The Consultant plays a critical role in stakeholder relations with public health nutrition staff by providing an effective method for two-way communication between front line nutrition professionals and the Ministry of Health Promotion. This was essential during the early days of the formation of the Ministry and continues to be as the Ministry evolves.

Ensuring the Senior Consultant, Public Health Consultant is a Registered Dietitian with the credentials required to function in the capacity of a Public Health Nutritionist as defined by the Health Protection and Promotion Act (HPPA), enables comprehensive and pointed professional insight when reviewing credentials of other public health Registered Dietitians against the HPPA, as well as ensures a key understanding of the population health approach.

OSNPPH also values the continuing expertise that the Senior Consultant, Public Health Nutrition provides support to the development and implementation of provincial policy and program initiatives that address healthy eating, healthy weights and chronic disease prevention.

Lastly, we value the fact the Ministry of Health Promotion's Senior Consultant, Public Health Nutrition provides public health nutrition expertise to support other Ministries and health promoting organizations across the province, ensuring efficient representation of this primary Public Health area of focus.

Yours truly,



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