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Hon. Steve Clark, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing, 17th Floor, 777 Bay St., Toronto, ON M7A 2J3

Dear Minister Clark,

After the Elliot Lake mall collapse, the Building Safety Technical Advisory Panel made recommendations for periodic evaluations of medium and high-risk buildings. The Ontario Building Code Act was amended to include section 15.10.2 "Building Condition Evaluation Programs" but the related regulations defining the scope, timing and frequency of the evaluations, and which buildings it would apply to, have not yet been developed.

In light of the collapse of the condominium at 8777 Collins Avenue in Surfside Florida, we encourage the Ministry to continue to move this initiative forward. CAI would be happy to participate as industry stakeholders in helping to develop the related regulations.

Established in 1973, Community Associations Institute (CAI) is an international membership organisation dedicated to building better communities. With more than 40,000 members worldwide, CAI works in partnership with 63 chapters, including chapters in Canada and South Africa. CAI provides advocacy, information, education, and resources to the boards of directors of condominiums and the professionals who support them.

CAI Canada (the Canadian chapter of CAI) was formed to represent the Canadian interests of the broader condominium industry, and to ensure that Canada is part of the conversations related to setting standards and sharing industry-wide best practices.

CAI offers these comments in the spirit of cooperation and continued recognition that, above all, condo owners need to have their interests protected and represented.

We look forward to further discussions. Please contact us with any questions.

Yours truly,

Sally Thompson

Chair, CAI Canada Advocacy Committee