

October 5, 2015

City of Barrie 70 Collier Street Barrie, Ontario L4M, 4T5

Dear Mayor and Members of Council:

## Re: Expediting Construction of the Harvie Road/Big Bay Point Overpass

It has been brought to my attention that on September 28<sup>th</sup>, the General Committee of City Council approved a motion moved by Councillor Khan to write a letter to various Provincial Ministries stressing the importance of Barrie's Primary Care Campus to persuade government officials to move expeditiously towards construction of the Harvie Road/Big Bay Point Road overpass. On behalf of Northwest Healthcare Properties REIT ("NorthWest") and the Barrie Primary Care Campus, I would like to thank you for your ongoing support and for involving us in advancing this critically important east-west transportation connection. We look forward to working with you in any way possible to help facilitate an accelerated schedule for the construction of this overpass.

As you know, the Barrie Primary Care Campus is an extremely valuable addition to the health care services infrastructure in Barrie as a large state of the art primary care centre that will be the leader in its field in Ontario and the envy of every city in the province. Having begun this initiative back in 2011 at which time the Harvie Road Overpass was in process we now on a tight schedule to opening our doors on April 12016 so that your constituents can benefit from the broad range of health-related services that will be accessible and available to them at a single location. We selected the site for this campus in large part on the basis that the City's Transportation Master Plan would be implemented and our location would be conveniently accessible to residents living on both sides of Highway 400. This is essential to the success of the health service strategy for the project. Every year it is not in place after we open will significantly impact the ability to conglomerate the combination of health services needed to make it a success.

We applaud you for your efforts to address the health care and transportation infrastructure deficiencies that currently persist in South Barrie and look forward to working with you to eliminate those shortcomings in the very near future. Please call on me at your convenience so that I can provide all the support that you deem appropriate.

Yours Truly,

Andrew G. Kidd, Senior Vice-President Northwest Healthcare Properties REIT