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Mr. Dory Jade
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Dear Mr. Jade:

I wanted to take the opportunity to introduce myself and tell you about one of our government's recent initiatives concerning Ontario's workforce and workplaces. As of February 3, 2020, responsibility for the Ontario Immigrant Nominee Program (OINP) has been transferred from the Ministry of Economic Development, Job Creation and Trade to the Ministry of Labour, Training and Skills Development.

This change renews the program's objectives: to attract skilled immigrants to Ontario communities to help fill labour market gaps and continue to grow the province's economy.

I am excited to add OINP to the ministry's portfolio and to further support employers in attracting and retaining individuals with the skills that they and Ontario's economy need. Integration of the OINP with this ministry presents new opportunities to collaborate in areas such as bridge training, labour market research and skilled trades. The integration will also enhance our ability to identify the most in-demand occupations.

The ministry will continue to engage with immigration stakeholders such as the Canadian Association of Professional Immigration Consultants as we move forward to ensure that the OINP is an excellent immigration selection program. I look forward to a continued positive working relationship between OINP staff and your association members.

Our Government for the People is building Ontario's future by putting the people first in every decision that we make. We are dedicated to a thoughtful approach rooted in our core commitments to make Ontario a place to grow and protect what matters most.

Please accept my best wishes.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Monte McNaughton", written over a light blue circular stamp.

Monte McNaughton
Minister of Labour, Training and Skills Development