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## **PROVINCE MOVES CLOSER TO NEW HOSPITAL IN OAKVILLE**

*Location Finalized for Site of Hospital*

OAKVILLE — The McGuinty government announced its intent to transfer 50 acres of land to Halton Healthcare Services (HSS) for a new state-of-the-art hospital at the corner of Dundas Street West and 3<sup>rd</sup> Line in Oakville.

“The Ontario government is making investments that really matter to people living in the Oakville area,” said Kevin Flynn, MPP for Oakville on behalf of Minister of Public Infrastructure Renewal David Caplan and Minister of Health and Long-Term Care George Smitherman. “It has been a pleasure to work with both the hospital board and the Town of Oakville. We look forward to finalizing this transfer and providing this land as the foundation for the building of a new hospital for the people of Oakville.”

The proposed hospital site is located on the north side of Dundas Street West at 3<sup>rd</sup> Line. The new facility will have more beds than Oakville’s existing hospital facility and will provide a full range of health services, including acute care, pediatrics, surgical care, mental health programs and complex continuing care. Local fundraising for the new hospital will begin shortly and construction work on the facility is expected to start in 2010.

“The province is working with its local partners to build a community hospital that area residents want,” Caplan said. “This new hospital will be an important development for Oakville and I am pleased we are taking steps to ensure the momentum continues on our government’s plan for a modernized hospital, reduced waiting times and improved treatment for people in this community.”

“This is a great day for HHS and the residents of Oakville and the surrounding area,” said John Oliver, HHS President and CEO. “Today’s announcement will ensure that we will be prepared to meet the healthcare needs of our patients, their families and our growing communities. This is the first major milestone as we embark on the path to create a distinctive centre of healthcare excellence for our community. We thank the provincial government for investing in the health of our community.”

The 50 acres is part of the Oakville Land Assembly, an area of 1,095 acres of provincially owned land bounded by Highway 407 to the north, Dundas Street to the south, Sixteen Mile Creek to the east and Bronte Road to the west.

“The province’s contribution of land to the new Oakville hospital demonstrates its commitment to building the vital infrastructure necessary to the health of the people of Oakville and surrounding areas,” said Rob Burton, Mayor for the Town of Oakville.

“Construction of the hospital will support the government’s key health care objectives of improving the health of Ontarians, shortening wait times and improving access to doctors and nurses,” said Smitherman.

The government’s financing model for large, complex hospital projects, such as Oakville’s, ensures public ownership, value for money, accountability, and transparency in agreement with the principles of the government’s *Building a Better Tomorrow* policy framework. Ontario’s critical infrastructure, such as hospitals and schools, will always be publicly owned, controlled and accountable.

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