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Mr. Chris Jaglowitz
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Dear Mr. Jaglowitz:

I read your May 5, 2011 Ontario Condo Law Blog on the 10th anniversary of Ontario's *Condominium Act, 1998* and reference to my inability to attend the Canadian Condominium Institute's (CCI) - Golden Horseshoe Chapter's All Under One Roof Conference on Saturday, April 9, 2011.

I would have liked to have attended the conference to hear different perspectives related to Ontario's condominium market however previously scheduled commitments in my constituency of Kingston and The Islands prevented my participation.

As I could not attend, my office took the step of contacting Ted McMeekin, MPP for Ancaster-Dundas-Flamborough-Westdale and former Minister of Consumer Services, to attend and provide remarks on behalf of the Government. MPP McMeekin's availability was communicated to the organizers. My ministry was informed that the conference would no longer have any political representation and our invitation was rescinded.

I would ask that you correct the record.

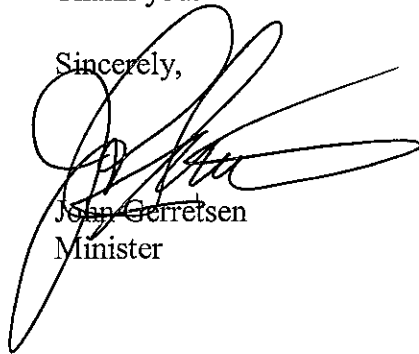
I understand the conference was well attended and produced some very interesting dialogue. I am always pleased to learn industry's views about Ontario's *Condominium Act, 1998* as the province is committed to protecting condominium buyers and owners and enhancing confidence in Ontario's condominium market. In fact my ministry undertook a survey to better understand the views and concerns of condominium owners across the province. Monitoring issues in Ontario's condominium market and working with

stakeholders to address their concerns and interests has been and will continue to be a priority for our government.

I am confident that Ontario's *Condominium Act* continues to provide existing and new condominium owners with proper protections and rights. Of course I am always interested to see if there are areas that can be improved upon and I welcome the advice and ideas of organizations such as the CCI.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Jean Gerretsen', is written over the typed name. The signature is stylized with large loops and a long horizontal stroke.

Jean Gerretsen
Minister