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Mrs. Fran Wheeler 823 Norval Road RR #2 Keswick, ON L4P 3E9

Dear Mrs Wheeler:

Re: Accessible Trail in the Town of Georgina

As tributes continue to be expressed about Danny's legacy, I am pleased to advise you and your family that plans are underway to name a future accessible trail in the Town of Georgina in his honour. These plans were announced at Regional Council in January 2017 with unanimous and heart-felt support.

For all that Danny did for our community; this honour specifically recognizes his work as an accessibility champion. As you know, he was a founding member of the York Region Accessibility Advisory Committee and served every term since 2003 when accessibility planning began, under provincial legislation. He was an informed, committed and tireless advocate for accessibility and was instrumental to the progress the Region has made in making our community more accessible and welcoming. Since he was involved in the development of the Region's first accessible trail it makes this honour even more meaningful.

The trail is being developed as a partnership project between the Region and the Town of Georgina. The Region's Forestry team and Town staff are currently working together to find a mutually beneficial location in the Town of Georgina that complements current trail initiatives in the community. We will keep you informed and involved as plans unfold.

As we remember Danny's remarkable contributions to our community, we also acknowledge and thank you for your role, by his side. The legacy of naming an accessible trail in Danny's honour is a lasting one. The accessible trail will be used by people of all abilities, for many years to come, a legacy that Danny would surely celebrate.

Sincerely,

Wayne Emmerson Chairman and CEO

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