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Ed Holder  
Mayor  
City of London  
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Dear Mayor Holder and Council:

Please accept my congratulations on your success in the recent municipal elections. I want to thank you for your decision to serve the public, and I look forward to working with you in the years ahead.

As a former mayor, I know firsthand that municipal government is closest to the people and delivers important services every day. I also know your constituents expect local government to be effective and responsive, and you expect the same in the provincial-municipal relationship.

At the AMO conference this year, I was proud to sign a renewed Memorandum of Understanding one year before it expired. The MOU signals our government's commitment to consult when introducing measures that affect municipalities.

There is much work ahead of us. Our government is working hard to remove red tape that stands in the way of job creation and development in communities across the province. We will be working together to increase housing supply and find efficiencies by reducing the reporting burden you face when dealing with the province. Our goal is to ensure that local governments are working well and supporting future economic prosperity.

As we work together to serve the people of our great province, I want to hear about the challenges you face. I know that local representatives understand their communities and that you can help us ensure that local government is working harder, smarter and more efficiently. Best wishes to you and to council for success over the next four years.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Steve Clark".

Steve Clark  
Minister