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To: Residents and Businesses in Peterborough County

### **Peterborough County Tariff Response: A Message from Warden Clark**

When challenges arise, the true strength of a community is revealed. Peterborough County is more than just a place - it's a community of communities, where neighbours support one another, businesses drive our local economy, and people come together in times of uncertainty. Whether facing obstacles or navigating change, our resilience comes from the relationships we build, the businesses we support, and our deep commitment to each other.

With the U.S. tariffs now in place, Peterborough County stands firmly with our businesses, our residents, and our economy. We are working alongside our partners at all levels of government to advocate for those who may be affected - because when one of us is impacted, we all feel it.

Peterborough County is a strong, agriculture-rich, and small business-driven region, built on the spirit of resilience and innovation. Our businesses are the backbone of our local economy - employing our friends, families, and neighbors while producing high-quality goods and services that support industries across Canada and beyond.

Now, more than ever, we must come together to support local, buy Ontario, and support Canadian-made. Every dollar spent locally strengthens our economy, secures local jobs, and reinforces the values that define us as Canadians - kindness, partnership, and community.

Through our work with the Eastern Ontario Wardens' Caucus and the Eastern Ontario Leadership Council, we fully support the actions taken by Ontario and Canada, and we will continue to advocate for Peterborough County at every level of government.

Your voice matters. Our Economic Development & Tourism Teams, in partnership with municipalities across Peterborough County, are working to highlight and promote local businesses. If you are a business owner, we want to hear your story! What products or services do you create, supply, or export? How does your business contribute to the local and global economy? Let us shine a spotlight on your work - complete the form found at [www.ptbocounty.ca/ecdev](http://www.ptbocounty.ca/ecdev) or email us at [ecdev@ptbocounty.ca](mailto:ecdev@ptbocounty.ca) and help us showcase the strength and resilience of our community.



By working together, we build a stronger economy, more resilient communities, and a future that benefits us all.

Best Wishes,

*Bonnie Clark*

Bonnie Clark, Warden