



Ontario

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

between the

ASSOCIATION OF MUNICIPALITIES OF ONTARIO

and the

PROVINCE OF ONTARIO

as represented by the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing

(referred to as the parties)

Whereas:

The well being of Ontario's economy and society and ensuring vibrant, healthy communities for Ontarians is of mutual concern to the parties;

The Province of Ontario (Ontario) wishes to work with Ontario municipalities to promote a strong, barrier-free economy and strong communities with a clean, healthy environment;

All Ontarians, individually and collectively, share responsibility for building and sustaining the province on behalf of present and future generations;

Effective cooperation between Ontario and municipalities enhances certainty and predictability of governmental performance, and promotes public confidence and sound planning;

Public policy issues are complex and thus require coordinated responses from the parties; and

The *Municipal Act, 2001* provides that the Province of Ontario endorses the principle of regular consultation between Ontario and municipalities in relation to matters of mutual interest.

