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The Honourable Doug Ford
Premier of Ontario
Legislative Building, Room 281
Queen's Park
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Dear Premier Ford:

Re: Policy Framework on Vaccine Certification

When the AMO Board of Directors met on August 14, 2021, it carefully considered the impact of vaccine hesitancy on the reopening of Ontario. It considered the potential risks to those too young to be vaccinated at this time, and the potential impact on Ontario's hospital and health care resources of treating avoidable COVID-19 cases among those who have elected to remain unvaccinated.

As the Province's key partners in the response to COVID-19, municipalities will continue to support the Ontario government's efforts to keep the people of Ontario safe, and to create an environment that supports economic recovery and renewed prosperity in every part of Ontario. In that spirit, the AMO Board developed the following statement.

AMO acknowledges the Government of Ontario's success in vaccine rollout, the essential role of municipalities and public health organizations in making vaccines available to all eligible residents, and Ontario's vigorous and effective campaign of vaccine and immunization promotion.

Aligned with Ontario's health care, post-secondary education and business sectors, AMO is calling on the Province to implement a province-wide, practical vaccine certification program for those fully vaccinated to protect children under 12 and Ontario's health care resources, and to support the safe, timely and stable reopening of public services, institutions, facilities, and businesses.

Thank you for your attention to this important matter.

Yours truly,



Graydon Smith
AMO President
Mayor of the Town of Bracebridge

cc The Honourable Christine Elliott, Minister of Health
The Honourable Steve Clark, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing