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Dear Head of Council:

Today I am proud to release Ontario's [first annual report on the Provincial Emergency Management Strategy and Action Plan](#), reporting on progress made to move emergency management forward in collaboration with our partners.

The report highlights key actions the province is taking in collaboration with partners to ensure that communities across Ontario are as safe and prepared as possible before, during and after emergencies. It also sets out future priorities that will guide our work moving forward to keep Ontarians safe.

We have made substantial investments, created new grant programs and expanded training opportunities to ensure that emergency management partners across Ontario have the resources and tools necessary to prepare for, and respond to, emergencies such as floods, wildland fires and cyber attacks.

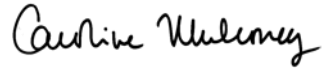
The province collaborated with municipal and Indigenous partners to highlight the progress we have made since releasing our plan in 2023. Those accomplishments include:

- Launching the [Community Emergency Preparedness Grant](#) to help communities and organizations purchase critical emergency equipment and supplies.
- Leading and participating in 85 emergency exercises and drills with government and non-governmental partners to strengthen emergency practice and preparedness.
- Launching the Provincial Exercise Program, a multi-year plan to exercise, test and strengthen multi-sector emergency plans and whole-of-government emergency response.
- Providing municipalities and provincial partners with resources to help them plan, set up and coordinate emergency exercises on their own.

The report demonstrates Ontario's leadership as the first jurisdiction in Canada to require annual and public reporting on progress made towards emergency management goals.

We are grateful for your valued partnership and look forward to continuing to work together to move emergency management forward.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Caroline Mulroney". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

The Honourable Caroline Mulroney
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Minister responsible for Emergency Management

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