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To: Canada's Mayors, Wardens, Chairs, and Local Government Leaders

As Mayor of Brampton, I am writing to you today about the *Stand For Canada* campaign, designed to encourage local governments across Canada to take a united stand in protecting local interests and fostering a stronger, more resilient Canadian economy in the face of U.S.-imposed tariffs.

In recent months, we have witnessed significant challenges to our nation's economy, particularly with the imposition and looming deadlines of new tariffs by the United States on Canadian goods. These actions have highlighted the need for a coordinated effort from all levels of government to ensure the protection and growth of Canadian businesses, workers, and communities – and our strong future together.

As part of this initiative, I am urging all levels of government to consider taking impactful steps:

- 1. Banning US-owned companies or their subsidiaries from bidding on new municipal contracts for goods and services. By doing so, we will send a clear message that Canadian communities and businesses must be prioritized, especially in the face of unfair trade practices.**
- 2. Reviewing existing contracts to pivot to Made in Canada solutions.**

The *Stand For Canada* campaign calls for a *Team Canada* approach to trade — one where local leaders work together to defend our country's economic interests and create opportunities for Canadian businesses to thrive. Through this collective action, we will ensure local government contracts are awarded to companies supporting Canadian jobs and our Canadian economy.

I invite you to join this critical movement by visiting our campaign website, Stand4Canada.ca where you can learn more about the initiative and sign the pledge to stand with Canada.

We are pleased to share your support for Team Canada on the website, if you email your name and the logo/crest of the city, township, region, county or district you represent to stand4canada@brampton.ca. By signing the pledge, you are taking a meaningful step toward building a more competitive and self-sustaining Canadian economy.

Together, we can remain strong, resilient and prosperous in the face of external challenges. I look forward to your support as we continue to stand for Canada.

Sincerely,



Patrick Brown, Mayor of Brampton