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Mr. Paul de Haas
President
Haastown Group of Companies
170 West Beaver Creek Road
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Richmond Hill ON L4B 1L6

Dear Mr. de Haas:

I would like to extend my congratulations to the Haastown Group on receiving the 2010 Canadian Urban Institute "Brownie" award in the category of Financing, Risk Management and Partnerships, for the Waterscape on the Grand River Project in Cambridge, Ontario.

Your project demonstrates that opportunities for brownfield redevelopment can be found in all communities. This form of redevelopment is critical to promoting sustainable communities and returning previously derelict or underused lands back to productive uses.

I was pleased to learn of your project's demonstration of creative ways in which partnerships can be formed between the private and public sector in order to bring brownfield redevelopments to fruition. I am confident that Waterscape will play an important role in the revitalization of downtown Cambridge, for the benefit of everyone.

As Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, I again extend my congratulations to you on receiving this award.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Rick Bartolucci".

Rick Bartolucci, MPP, Sudbury
Minister

c: Mr. Ken Seiling, Chair
Region of Waterloo

His Worship Mayor Doug Craig
City of Cambridge