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The Honourable Jim Flaherty, Minister of Finance
House of Commons
Ottawa, ON K1A 0A6

Dear Minister:

Re: One Cent Now Initiative

At their most recent meeting, Niagara Falls City Council passed a motion supporting the efforts of Toronto Mayor David Miller calling on the Federal government to allocate one cent of the Goods & Services Tax (GST) to help eliminate the funding gap currently facing municipalities.

Niagara Falls Council members have often commented on the reduction in funding programs over the years, the inability to continually raise property taxes and the growing inadequacy of municipal infrastructure. The "One Cent Now" initiative will allow municipalities a steady funding source.

With the budget upcoming, Niagara Falls City Council urges the Federal government to seriously consider allocating one cent of the GST to municipalities.

Sincerely,

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City Clerk

c. The Honourable Rob Nicholson, Minister of Justice and Attorney General of Canada
His Worship Mayor David Miller, City of Toronto

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