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Stacey/Renee – we receive the attached materials from Gestalt, and the revise statement below. I haven't had a chance to go through these yet, but we can discuss in a few minutes. See you soon.

JOINT STATEMENT: CITY OF BARRIE AND TOWNSHIP OF SPRINGWATER November 28, 2025

Subject: Moving Forward Together: A Framework for Regional Growth

The Township of Springwater and the City of Barrie welcome the introduction of the *Barrie-Oro-Medonte-Springwater Boundary Adjustment Act, 2025* (Bill 76) by the Government of Ontario. This legislation establishes a clear direction for the future of our region, aligning land use planning with the essential infrastructure needed to meet provincial housing targets.

Following months of provincially-facilitated discussions, this legislative step provides the certainty required for both our municipalities to plan effectively for the future.

Mayor Alex Nuttall and Mayor Jennifer Coughlin are committed to a continued partnership and finalizing an agreement based on the negotiated framework, which will lead to tangible benefits for our respective communities.

Our Shared Commitments:

Infrastructure Certainty: The City of Barrie reaffirms its commitment to extend municipal water and wastewater servicing capacity to the designated areas of Springwater. This critical infrastructure is key to enabling the community projects that have been part of Springwater's vision for years.

Community Building: With servicing secured, Springwater can proceed with planning for essential community needs, including capacity for seniors' housing, future long-term care facilities, and the infrastructure required to support a new high school. Additionally, Barrie can move forward with plans to develop much-needed housing and employment lands to secure its future.

Financial Sustainability: This partnership ensures that growth pays for growth. Through the agreed-upon compensation framework, both municipalities will remain financially sustainable, protecting current taxpayers while investing in the future.

As the Province moves this legislation forward, our administrations will continue to work collaboratively on the implementation details. Our goal remains the same: to build a prosperous, supported, and connected region for all our residents.

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