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Indira Naidoo-Harris, Minister of the Status of Women and  
Minister Responsible for Early Years and Child Care  
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**SENT BY EMAIL:** [indira.naidoo-harris@ontario.ca](mailto:indira.naidoo-harris@ontario.ca)

Dear Minister:

**RE: Ontario Early Years Child and Family Centres Funding**

We greatly appreciated your attendance at our Annual General Meeting in North Bay on Thursday, June 8 and were pleased with the direction your Ministry is taking with regard to expansion of Ontario's network of Early Years Child and Family Centres.

At our Annual General Meeting, the following Resolution passed unanimously to encourage action in this important sector:

**WHEREAS** the Northern Ontario Municipal Service System Managers are in full support of the integration and transformation of the Ontario Early Years Child and Family Centres; and

**WHEREAS** the Northern Ontario Municipal Service System Managers are actively planning for management of the Ontario Early Years Child and Family Centres.

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** NOSDA urges the Minister Responsible for Early Years and Child Care to ensure that funding for these important programs remain in Northern Ontario and that administrative funding be provided to address the challenges in integrating the current separate and distinct programs. Furthermore, NOSDA is willing to work with the Ministry to ensure that the North has representation on provincial committees to develop the tools and resources to guide and support the implementation of the Ontario Early Years Child and Family Centres.

We welcome the opportunity of working with you and your staff to realize this vision of improved Early Years' service delivery in Ontario.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Iain Angus", is positioned above the printed name.

Iain Angus, Chair