

November 28, 2008

Hon. Deborah Matthews Minister for Ontario's Poverty Reductions Plan, Ministry of Children and Youth Services 14th. Floor, 56 Wellesley St. W. Toronto, On. M5S 2S3

Dear Minister Matthews:

RE: Poverty Reduction Plan

The Hamilton Chamber Of Commerce encourages the Provincial government to adopt specific measurable targets for poverty reduction as an integral part of the Poverty Reduction Plan.

In response to the 25 in 5 campaign asking the provincial government for a plan to reduce Ontario poverty levels by 25% in 5 years and by 50% before 2018, the Hamilton Chamber of Commerce does not know if this is a reasonable target or not. What we do know is that some more thought and planning may be needed to correctly execute a successful poverty reduction plan.

Your attention to this vital is matter greatly appreciated.

If you have further questions, please don't hesitate to contact us at the following.

Sincerely,

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