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Dear Dr. Sutcliffe:

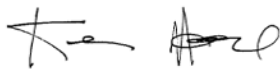
Thank you for sharing your most recent plan to apply additional local public health and workplace safety measures in your community. According to our most recent data from this week, the Public Health Sudbury & Districts region currently has the second highest rate of COVID-19 transmission in the province, resulting in continued pressure on the public health and health care system.

As part of the government's plan to safely reopen and manage COVID-19 for the long-term, I continue to support the local application of public health and workplace safety measures that reflect the local context and pandemic situation. I also acknowledge this may require re-instating measures that have recently been removed provincially. This includes the use of local authorities and powers at your disposal to apply measures as necessary including issuing instructions under the *Reopening Ontario (A Flexible Response to COVID-19) Act, 2020*.

By applying local measures including restrictions from previous steps of Ontario's *Roadmap to Reopen*, and with additional supports from the Ministry of Health, I am confident Public Health Sudbury & Districts will be able to address the current situation. Our best defence is the continued encouragement of vaccination of first, second and now third doses.

Thank you once again for your enduring commitment and nimble response to ensure the well-being of the people in your community. The province is also watching carefully to ensure our communities are protected and provide valuable support where possible.

Yours truly,



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