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To: Hon. Rod Phillips  
Ontario Minister of the Environment, Conservation and Parks [rod.phillips@pc.ola.org](mailto:rod.phillips@pc.ola.org)

Honorable Minister Phillips:

On behalf of North Pigeon Lake Association (NPLA) members in the Municipality of Trent Lakes and the City of Kawartha Lakes, I am writing in support of the **Lake Partner Program (LPP)**, a long-term partnership between the Federation of Ontario Cottagers' Associations (FOCA), the Ontario Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks, and the Dorset Environmental Science Centre.

The LPP program has significant value:

- it is one of the largest of its kind in the world, using volunteers to sample water quality in Ontario's inland lakes;
- 1,000s of hours of volunteer water sampling each year, by hundreds of citizens; and
- data dating back to 2002, tracking water quality across Ontario.

The Province of Ontario can continue to capitalize on this very cost-effective program by continuing its modest support of the Lake Partner Program through FOCA. On behalf of my family, NPLA, and FOCA, I urge you to continue supporting the Lake Partner Program of water quality monitoring.

Sincerely,

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