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Her Worship Joanne Vanderheyden  
Mayor  
Strathroy-Caradoc  
52 Frank Street  
Strathroy ON N7G 2R4

Dear Mayor Vanderheyden:

Thank you for your letter regarding Strathroy Middlesex General Hospital (SMGH) and your concerns about the funding formula for medium-sized hospitals. I appreciate hearing of the important role the hospital plays in your community and wider region.

I understand that some medium-sized hospitals have faced funding challenges that may be unique because of their size. The ministry provided additional funding to the hospital sector to help address some of these challenges. Some of this new funding was directed specifically to medium-sized hospitals, including SMGH.

Our government is committed to solving hallway health care, and will continue to listen to the people who plan and work on the frontline of our health care system. My ministry will continue to work collaboratively with the hospital sector to identify solutions to support core hospital services in medium-sized hospitals, such as SMGH.

Thank you again for bringing your concerns to my attention.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Christine J. Elliott".

Christine Elliott  
Deputy Premier and Minister of Health and Long-Term Care