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April 24, 2025

**Re: Advocating for Provincial Support for OneConnect Senior Care**

The following resolution was passed by Ajax Town Council at its meeting held on April 22, 2025:

**WHEREAS** the Town of Ajax is facing a rapidly aging population, with individuals over 65 making up 13% of the Town's total population according to the 2021 census data, up from 7.3% in 2001;

**AND WHEREAS** there is no publicly funded Adult Day Program (ADP) in the Ajax, forcing residents to travel to Pickering or Whitby for ADP services, where they are facing long wait lists;

**AND WHEREAS** many Canadians want to age in place in their own home and community, which requires appropriate health and social supports and services to facilitate independent living;

**AND WHEREAS** the Ministry of Health, through its Home Care Modernization initiative, is seeking innovative in-home care delivery models;

**AND WHEREAS** on March 25, 2024, Ajax Council passed a resolution calling for the implementation of a Program of All-Inclusive Care for the Elderly (PACE) in the community to offer a better quality of life for residents and their caregivers while alleviating demands on hospitals & healthcare institutions;

**AND WHEREAS** the not-for-profit agency Community Care Durham (CCD) is a leading provider of support services in the Region, including Assisted Living, Transportation, Day Programs, Meal and Food Security, Mental Wellness, and more;

**AND WHEREAS** CCD is seeking Provincial and Regional support to implement an innovative new PACE program 'OneConnect', which coordinates comprehensive health and wellness services around seniors and vulnerable clients to help them and their caregivers live optimally at home, in the community;

**AND WHEREAS** CCD is publicly funded by the Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care through Ontario Health – East Region and requires new funding to implement OneConnect;

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT:**

1. Ajax Council supports and endorses Community Care Durham's vision for implementing OneConnect in Ajax; and
2. Ajax Council encourages the Government of Ontario to provide the necessary funding to Community Care Durham to implement, evaluate, and scale OneConnect to meet the growing needs of our aging population; and
3. A copy of this motion be sent to the Honourable Sylvia Jones, Minister of Health, Rob Cerjanec, MPP for Ajax, John Henry, Chair of the Regional Municipality of Durham, Durham Regional Health and Social Services Committee, Durham Regional Local Housing Corporation, Ashley Manor Housing Corporation (formerly Ajax Municipal Housing Corporation), Cynthia Davis, President and CEO of Lakeridge Health, Lisa Kitchen, Director of the Durham Ontario Health Team, Matt Anderson, President & CEO of Ontario Health, and all Durham Region MPPs.

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If you require further information please contact me at 365-885-6983 or [Thomas.street@ajax.ca](mailto:Thomas.street@ajax.ca)

Sincerely,



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