

**MAYOR PATRICK BROWN**

February 27, 2025

The Right Honourable Justin Trudeau, P.C., M.P.
Prime Minister of Canada
Office of the Prime Minister
80 Wellington Street
Ottawa, ON K1A 0A2
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Dear Prime Minister,

On behalf of the City of Brampton and Brampton City Council, I am writing to express our deep concern regarding the potential impact of tariffs threatened by the United States on Canadian goods, and to request as part of the Team Canada approach that immediate federal support be offered to Canadian businesses to explore new international markets.

As a city with a robust and diverse economy, Brampton is home to many businesses that rely on access to the U.S. market. The possibility of tariffs jeopardizes the stability of key industries such as manufacturing, logistics, food & beverage processing and retail, as well as the broader Canadian economy. While we remain hopeful that these tariffs will not materialize, we must be proactive by preparing for this new trade environment moving forward.

We urge the Government of Canada to introduce a temporary relief package aimed at providing financial support to Canadian companies, in the export-driven sectors, to help them offset logistics costs and gain access to new international markets. For Canadian businesses to remain competitive globally, it is imperative we take tangible steps to support the establishment of new export markets.

By offering targeted financial relief, the federal government can enable Canadian companies to explore new trade opportunities beyond our traditional reliance on the U.S. market. This would not only diversify Canada's export base but also strengthen our position as a global player. Opening new international markets for Canadian goods would provide much-needed stability, foster innovation and ultimately reduce our dependence on one market.

The introduction of emergency financial programs will help Canadian businesses navigate this uncertainty, remain competitive, and position themselves for growth in the face of these potential challenges. We believe by taking swift, decisive action, we can secure a more resilient and diversified economy for Brampton, and the entire country.



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We respectfully urge the federal government to act quickly by introducing these critical measures to support Canadian businesses. By doing so, we can ensure that Brampton's businesses, as well as businesses across Canada, continue to thrive in a changing global trade landscape.

Thank you for your attention to this important matter. We look forward to your support and to collaborating on solutions to benefit our city and our country as a whole.

Sincerely,



Patrick Brown, Mayor of Brampton

C.C.:

Hon. Dominic Leblanc, Minister of Finance
Hon. Mélanie Joly, Minister of Foreign Affairs
Hon. Anita Anand, President of the Treasury Board
Hon. Mary Ng, Minister of International Trade, Export Promotion, Small Business and Economic Development

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