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To Patrick Brown (Mayor of Brampton)

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Subject: Prominent issues faced by the truckers

We the members of CTWA (Canadian Truckers Welfare Association) want to get to your notice some of the prominent problems faced by the trucker community nowadays. The issues are described as follows:

1. Expensive Single Owner Parking:

It has been noticed that the parking spot costs for single-owner CMV operators are prominently high and despite the high cost, the security of the trucks is still not promised and is rather compromised quite often.

As the CMV parking yards are not regulated by the city government therefore they don't follow any industry standards in terms of security which leads to incidents like vehicle theft.

Guidelines need to be established which make it mandatory to have the basic services like security, surveillance, and proper lighting in every CMV parking yard at a reasonable cost. This will provide confidence to the drivers regarding the safety of their trucks and ease this vehicle theft stress from their minds.

We also noticed that there are a lot of empty land spaces within Brampton city which is regulated by the provincial and city government. We appeal that these empty spaces should be utilized as parking spaces for truckers, especially for single-owner operators who are the most affected by this issue. This will not only solve the issue for truckers, but the city government could also generate revenue by providing this parking facility: in this way both sides benefit from it.

1. Insufficient restroom facilities:

The fast-food chains like "MC Donald", "KFC", "Tim Hortons", etc. are a part of almost every trucker's journey, and we propose that Brampton city should align with these brands to make some support policies that shall benefit the truckers.

Currently, there is no location within the city where a trucker could take a stop and use the restroom for some time and the only resort is to go to the truck stop that is located outside the city. However, Mississauga city has provided facilities where truckers could park near these fast-food chain restaurants to use restrooms for some time.

We would like you to implement the following suggestions within the city of Brampton to solve the stated issue: 2A) Provide a minimum of 15-30 minutes of standing/parking time to all commercial motor vehicles (CMV) near these fast-food restaurants.

2B) Provision of a 3rd/separate late for CMV

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