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Letter of Correspondence

It is with great pleasure that I write this letter of correspondence regarding my colleague Councillor Rowena Santos. Last year I was successfully elected to the FCM Board of Directors. It was during this time that I met Councillor Santos and have served with her on a number of Committees including the Ontario Regional Caucus, as well as the Committee to Increase Women's Participation in Local Politics.

In this short time, Councillor Santos has shown herself to be a force of leadership and dedication to municipal issues. She has a passion for advocacy on behalf of those who have traditionally been marginalized by our political institutions and misrepresented in policy decisions. She is generous with her time with colleagues, is readily available to help others and shows initiative in advancing issues and collaborating with others.

Just recently, I invited Councillor Santos to participate on a panel discussion to help encourage women in Niagara to consider involvement in municipal politics. She accepted without hesitation. Her contributions were both insightful and impactful for those who attended. I believe her participation contributed significantly to the overall success of the event.

It has been a pleasure working with Councillor Santos. I sincerely hope she will run for a subsequent term on the FCM Board as she has proudly represented Brampton and advocates on behalf of her community with passion. It is an honour to work with her and I believe our Board positively benefits from her service.

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