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June 28, 2021

Hon. Christine Elliott Ontario Minister of Health

Hon. Sylvia Jones Ontario Minister of the Attorney General

## Dear Ministers Elliott and Jones:

We write to you as Warden of Grey County and Mayors of its nine member municipalities, in support of the request made by Dr. Ian Arra, Medical Officer of Health for the Grey Bruce Public Health Unit, for allocation of an additional 100,000 doses of vaccine for our population in July 2021.

Recently we have seen a sustained and significant increase in our daily COVID infection numbers. Evidence suggests this spike in cases is related to the Delta variant and we are concerned about community spread overwhelming our resources.

Also concerning is that Grey and Bruce Counties are popular tourist destinations. With the summer travelling season upon us, the risk of carrying the outbreak beyond our immediate area is very real. With your support for these additional vaccine doses, we can complete vaccine rollout to the majority of our residents in July and reduce the risk of broader transmission.

Thank you for all your extraordinary efforts over the past many months. We appreciate your consideration of Dr. Arra's request and look forward to your favourable reply.

Yours truly,

Selwyn Hicks Warden

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