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La députée de Nickel Belt | MPP for Nickel Belt

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Open letter re: Sisters of Providence and the Kingston P3

Minister Matthews,

I am writing today in response to an answer I received during question period on the 29th of May this year. On the subject of the private public partnership you made the following statement:

“I’ve met with the Sisters of Providence. They are delighted that we’re moving forward with this. If it’s good enough for the Sisters of Providence, if the Sisters of Providence support this, then I am very proud to support it too.” Hansard, 29 May 2013

Madam Minister, as you know, the Sisters of Providence have steadfastly refused to be drawn into the debate on the Kingston hospital and the government’s decisions on how to fund it. Their official position is to make no comment "whatsoever" on the process and making any comments on their opinions amounts to a mistruth.

I encourage you to apologize to the Sisters of Providence and the people of Kingston for misrepresenting the opinions of such an important and dedicated group of stakeholders.

Sincerely,

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