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**Letter of Support  
Saugeen Valley Children's Safety Village**

The Board of Directors of the Saugeen Valley Conservation Authority is delighted to be a part of and to support this venture by providing a suitable area on which the Safety Village can construct its educational facility to be located at its Sulphur Spring Conservation Area in the Municipality of West Grey, south of Hanover. The Conservation Authority is providing land through a long-term lease for this important development.

There was unanimous support from the Directors when this idea was first presented. The idea of a safety village providing hands-on safety training to 10,000 children in the region was indeed very exciting and deserving of the support of the Conservation Authority.

There are 11 other operating Safety Villages in Ontario. Three of these are operated under agreement in other Conservation Authorities. We feel that it is important that our region have a similar facility for our children and grand children.

We believe that the Safety Village is a good fit for our conservation lands as the Authority has continually provided its own educational programming to children of our watershed for many years.

The profile and location of the Safety Village can only be viewed as a positive one as it emphasizes the safety of our children in a natural, rural and safe environment.

The Authority looks forward to a long and positive working relationship with the Directors and organizers of the Saugeen Valley Children's Safety Village.

We are pleased to a part of this initiative.

Yours Sincerely,

Jim Coffey  
Chief Administrative Officer

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