



May 22, 2025

Susan Walsh
President and CEO
Northumberland Hills Hospital
1000 DePalma Drive
Cobourg, ON K9A 5W6

Re: **Northumberland Hills Hospital and Northumberland County –
Opportunity for Increased Collaboration**

Dear Susan,

As I have stated in the past, Northumberland County – its elected Council and our community at large, appreciates and values all the services that Northumberland Hills Hospital delivers. Northumberland County thanks you and your staff for the vital roles they play in health care and the quality care that they provide for our residents, businesses, and visitors.

At its meeting on May 20, 2025, Northumberland County Council discussed several issues relating to our community's health care partners. Collaboration and Communication are values that are embedded in Northumberland County's Strategic Plan, and with that in mind, County Council discussed how it may strengthen its partnership with NHH.

One suggestion put forward was the idea of Northumberland County Council having a role on NHH's Board of Directors. Council asked me to request that you and the Board consider how that may be advantageous for your hospital.

Council believes that having a role on the NHH Board would help to further foster the existing collaborative relationships, further engage the community, and assist the Hospital in its pursuit of its vision, mission and priorities.

On behalf of my Council colleagues, we appreciate you considering this request and taking it to your Board. I look forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Brian Ostrander", written over a blue circular stamp.

Brian Ostrander
Warden
County of Northumberland

c.c. Northumberland County Council

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