

Petition

TO The Legislative Assembly of Ontario:

WHEREAS the horse racing industry employs approximately 60,000 people, creates \$1.5 billion in wages and \$2 billion in recurring expenditures annually; and

WHEREAS the partnership that was created between government and the horse breeding and racing industry has been a model arrangement and is heralded throughout North America, with 75% of revenues going to the provincial government to fund important programs like health care and education, 5% to the municipalities and only 20% goes back to the horse business;

WHEREAS the horse business is a significant source of revenue for the farming community and rural municipalities;

THEREFORE we the undersigned petition the Legislative Assembly of Ontario as follows:

That the Ministry of Finance continue the revenue-sharing partnership with the horse-racing industry for the benefit of Ontario's agricultural and rural economies.

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