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Mr. Andrew Skinner  
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Dear Mr. Skinner:

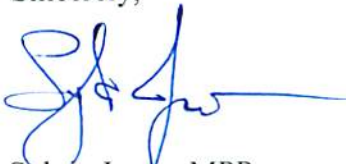
Thank you for inviting me to your rally today. Unfortunately, my legislative duties prevent me from joining you today.

It is quite appropriate that you call today a rally for "accountability." Myself and my Progressive Conservative caucus colleagues have been calling for the Liberal government to be accountable for its agencies, boards and commissions; and ultimately to Ontario families since reports began appearing this Spring of untendered contracts and overspending.

As the newly appointed PC Critic for Children and Youth Services, I believe that Ministers and their staff need to be accountable for their actions. As we have recently seen with out of control spending in agencies such as E-health and at the Ontario Lottery and Gaming Commission, if ministries are not willing to be held to account for the agencies, boards and commissions they oversee, then taxpayers have a right to be concerned.

I wish you all the best with your rally today, and I hope you will continue to raise these issues of accountability and oversight with the Ontario government.

Sincerely,



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