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Ontario Announces Over \$13 million in Infrastructure Improvements and Other Funding at Campbellford Memorial Hospital

February 2nd, 2023 – David Piccini, MPP for Northumberland—Peterborough South, was joined by officials at Campbellford Memorial Hospital (CMH) to announce more than \$13M in infrastructure improvements and supports to CMH. This investment will help the hospital significantly upgrade their HVAC system, replace their aging generator, and continue with facility improvements designed to mitigate COVID-19 transmission.

“As we make progress on securing a new hospital in Campbellford, it is vital that we ensure those in our community receive safe, high quality medical care,” said MPP David Piccini. “This critical infrastructure investment will ensure that patients at Campbellford Memorial continue to receive the right care they need, when they need it.”

“While we continue to work towards redeveloping CMH as part of a Campus of Care, we are committed to ensuring our existing facility is capable of providing the exemplary care our community expects from us,” said Kevin Huestis, Board Chair at CMH.

HVAC work includes replacing air handling units, improving ductwork, air filtration and ventilation systems, as well as upgrading the air distribution system and installing an automated building control system. These upgrades will reduce CMH’s yearly natural gas consumption by 10,000 cubic metres and lower its greenhouse gas emissions by more than 19 tons annually. In addition to the HVAC improvements, CMH will also be replacing their backup generator, which is unreliable and near end of life.

“This investment will allow us to purchase a new, state of the art generator, as well as upgrade our emergency power distribution, to ensure that when the power goes out; our ability to provide high quality patient care is not impeded,” said CMH CEO Eric Hanna.

These investments mark a series of improvements that CMH has undertaken over the past 12 months, including the installation of a new nurse call system, renovations in the kitchen and cafeteria, and the purchase of new state of the art diagnostic equipment such as a bladder scanner and digital slit lamp.

CMH has also earned “Accredited with Exemplary Standing” status from Accreditation Canada following their accreditation review last month. Accreditation Canada is an independent, not-for-profit organization that conducts reviews of health organizations around the world and sets standards for safety and quality in health care. Accreditation for Exemplary Standing is awarded to an organization that attains the highest level of performance, achieving excellence in meeting the requirements of the program.

“This recognition is a testament to the hard work and dedication of our entire team and confirmation that we have appropriate procedures and plans in place to provide high-quality care to our community,” stated CEO Eric Hanna.

The funding is broken down as follows: \$9,639,900 will be going towards CMH as one-time capital funding to address the HVAC and generator, \$1,874,929 for reimbursement of CMH’s COVID-19 related capital expenses, \$771,797 in COVID-19 incremental operating funding, up to \$600,000 in one-time funding to support the hospital’s in-year financial and operating pressures, \$163,600 in pandemic prevention and containment funding, \$81,132 through the Health Infrastructure Renewal Fund, and \$46,884 in health human resources funding.

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