



## Environment

I have always held a keen interest in our natural environment. Oshawa boasts a strong and healthy environment from the shores of Lake Ontario to the Oak Ridges Moraine. In order to sustain our natural surroundings for future generations it is vital to educate and involve our children at a young age. For this reason I have undertaken many environmental initiatives with students and children in Oshawa. I continue to work with community groups and organizations on beneficial projects including the annual kid's fishing day, school classroom hatchery program, streambank improvements, the Atlantic salmon restoration program, tree planting activities, and the monumental Second Marsh Restoration Initiative.



## Oshawa's Growing Economy

With the economy of our city booming, Oshawa is positioned for great prosperity in the foreseeable future. General Motors has recognized the outstanding workers and favourable environment found in our great city and has recently announced Oshawa as the site to build the new 2008 Chevrolet Camaro. Along with this announcement the company has also committed to investments and partnerships including new vehicle engineering activities, FLEX manufacturing capability, environmental leadership, program and skills training, and the Automotive Centre of Excellence at UOIT. This will go a long way in linking all segments in the field of automotive innovation and will further enshrine Oshawa's education and automotive sectors as world leaders in auto technology. The spin-off impacts from supportive industries, businesses and service sectors will all benefit our community. I look forward to continue working with our business and corporate partners to achieve significant investments in Oshawa.



## Education

I am proud to have contributed to the development of Ontario's first public university in 40 years. The University of Ontario Institute of Technology right here in Oshawa has already achieved tremendous prominence in its brief history and an exciting future lies ahead. Full-time enrollment is currently at 4300 students and is expected to reach 6500 by 2010 with future development and expansion on the horizon. As Oshawa's Provincial member, I am pleased to have the province commit to more than 1 dozen new and renovated public schools in our community. I have taken numerous occasions to visit our schools and speak directly with our students and teachers. Continued education investments in Oshawa will improve learning resources and ensure students achieve their full potential in school. I will continue to work with faculty and students to secure student success in our community.

## Community

I have always been committed to working with the many community groups and organizations for the benefit of the residents of Oshawa. These groups and agencies and their tireless volunteers are an invaluable blessing to our community. Whether it is working with women, children, seniors, veterans or challenged individuals or performing important developmental, recreational, environmental or educational roles, these organizations are vital to the health and well-being of our community. Volunteers are local, they are part of our city and they know first hand the needs and resources available in the community. I am proud to recognize and work with the dedicated volunteers around our city. With them, great things continue to happen in Oshawa.



## Infrastructure

There is no denying that great things are happening in Oshawa. I have taken an active approach in anticipating, consulting and working to develop the necessary supportive infrastructure in our community. The new, full-service Highway 401 interchange at Stevenson Road is leading new investment along Champlain Avenue with continued construction jobs and future retail and service sector opportunities. It will complement existing infrastructure and provide convenient access for General Motors, the Oshawa Centre and other businesses and residents in this area of our city. The increased development of the University of Ontario Institute of Technology and Durham College will assist in providing an educated workforce for future growth and expansion in Oshawa. The substantial provincial investment in the new Durham Consolidated Courthouse will increase access to justice services and further enhance and revitalize downtown Oshawa with future business opportunities and further sustainable job creation. I will continue to work with our municipal and regional representatives to improve our environment, create vibrant neighbourhoods, stimulate investment in jobs and boost development with appropriate transit, infrastructure and community facilities.



*"Oshawa...  
Canada's  
next Boom  
Town"*

*Toronto Star - April 14, 2005*

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Oshawa is a proud and dynamic community which has been recognized as the fastest growing city in the country. It is predicted that Oshawa will continue to lead Canada in economic growth at least until 2009. In 2006, our city's real estate market set all-time records for both residential and commercial construction activity. As your provincial representative in the Ontario Legislature, I have continued to work hard to ensure great things are happening in Oshawa. Today I am highlighting some of the improvements taking place in the community – investments and programs that build for the future and that we can all take pride in.



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