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Subject: ERO 025-1108 – Minister’s Zoning Order Proposal, City of Toronto

To the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing,

On behalf of Life Sciences Ontario (LSO), thank you for the opportunity to comment on ERO Notice 025-1108 – Proposed Minister’s Zoning Order, which seeks to protect and strengthen the Sanofi Pasteur campus at 1755 Steeles Ave West.

LSO is a not-for-profit organization that represents and promotes Ontario’s vibrant and diverse life sciences sector. Our members include companies, startups, academic institutions, and service providers across the ecosystem – from biopharmaceuticals and agri-foods to medical devices, animal health, and environmental technologies. LSO’s mission is to foster collaboration, innovation, and policies that enable commercial success and sustainable growth.

Ontario’s global competitiveness in life sciences depends heavily on its ability to sustain and grow domestic manufacturing capacity. The COVID-19 pandemic demonstrated the strategic importance of maintaining vaccine and biopharmaceutical production capacity within Canada. Facilities like Sanofi Pasteur’s Toronto campus are vital to Ontario’s life sciences ecosystem, they are major employers that drive innovation, strengthen supply chains, and, for over a century, have advanced public health and ensured Canada’s access to critical vaccines.

The Sanofi Pasteur site at 1755 Steeles Avenue West is Canada’s largest vaccine manufacturing facility and a key global R&D hub for Sanofi. As a key component of the country’s biomanufacturing strategy, it strengthens Ontario’s competitiveness and capacity to attract future life sciences investments. Protecting the campus and surrounding lands from incompatible development is essential to safeguarding this critical asset and supporting long-term growth.

LSO strongly supports the proposed Minister’s Zoning Order as a vital step in protecting the Sanofi Pasteur campus and reinforcing Ontario’s commitment to domestic biomanufacturing. Safeguarding this strategic site ensures the province can continue to attract global investment and strengthen its position as a life sciences leader.

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Thank you for considering these comments and for your continued support of Ontario's life sciences sector.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jason Field".

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