Letter to the editor

Re: Brampton LRT Plan

Since 1967, Sheridan College has been a proud partner in the City of Brampton. We've grown step in step with the city, offering ever-growing educational opportunities that enable people to enrich their own lives, the businesses where they work and the communities they call home.

With debate regarding the proposed route for the new Hurontario-Main LRT reaching a crucial council vote in early July, the City of Brampton has a further opportunity to demonstrate its support for the 10,000 staff and students who choose to work and study at Sheridan's Davis Campus, at Steeles and McLaughlin each year.

Transit options that help people get where they need to go in a timely, accessible and affordable manner are a building block of any city. Both Brampton Transit and Sheridan's own shuttle bus service have increased bus routes to and from the campus significantly in recent years. In Mississauga, a loop around the City Centre will connect our Hazel McCallion Campus to the LRT to the rest of Mississauga's transit system, which connects our students with what that city has to offer.

We hope that Brampton council and its residents will consider the needs of the 10,000 people who study at Sheridan – many of whom live in the city -- as part of the solution and success of the proposed LRT by including a stop along Steeles Avenue that's in close proximity to Sheridan. Doing so would continue to make Brampton the type of city that attracts inspiring youth and would further help the city to integrate education with civic life.

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