## Statement



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## Statement from Georgina Mayor Quirk regarding York Region governance structure

**Georgina**, **ON** – The following is a statement from Mayor Margaret Quirk:

"The Town of Georgina is committed to finding efficiencies, streamlining processes and ensuring Georgina maintains its unique identity while also having a voice in decisions that impact our community.

Learning of Mayor Scarpitti's opinion to amalgamate all of York Region into one large city, I don't see how a smaller community like Georgina, in amongst much larger populations, would see all the benefits that are being claimed.

I do not support the amalgamation of York Region into a single-tier municipality and am disappointed that such a statement would be made unilaterally without any type of discussion.

Amalgamation is not necessary to find efficiencies and I welcome on-going discussions to explore those opportunities that would benefit all municipalities.

From our historic downtowns, beautiful beaches to our rural landscapes, people come to Georgina to leave the city, not to become one.

Ultimately, this decision rests with the Province and we trust their findings will support the continuation of the two-tier system that serves York Region well."

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