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On behalf of the City of Hamilton's economic development office, it has been my pleasure to assist & support the work that Mr. Bill Panagiotakopoulos and Mr. Bojan Krasic have done in order to secure a site and ultimately submit a comprehensive bid for First Access Medical Inc. to become a licensed producer under Medical Marihuana Production Regulations. Our staff have met several times with these gentlemen to go over details of their proposal and to discuss the requirements of their facility, along with their licensing requirements. I can say we fully support First Access Medical's endeavors to become a licensed producer under the Medical Marihuana Production Regulations.

The city of Hamilton understands this new industry and is encouraging it to locate in Hamilton and establishing ties within our community. We are looking forward to establishing a strong relationship with First Access Medical Inc. in their efforts to produce a world class medicine, while working with health care practitioners and establish a rapport with our medical research facilities and universities. I think this is a great new addition to the "Life Sciences" Sector of our local economy.

I have also suggested that First Access Medical Inc. become a pilot project for this new industry within our municipality. With their understanding of the requirements; not only with the facility, but also with the number professional jobs this industry will create, the importance of R&D and community connections, along with their level of professionalism makes them strong champions for this industry.

The City is also pleased to work with our government partners and introduce First Access Medical Inc. to our community partners at Mohawk College, McMaster University to ensure that you are provided with the best resources & assistance as they grow and expand within the City. Our office is here to assist First Access Medical, whether they are looking for introductions, hiring resources, R&D... we are at their service as they make their investment into our community.

Should you have any other questions or concerns please do not hesitate to contact me directly at 905-546-2424 X 4475 or via email at Jennifer.patterson@hamilton.ca

Sincerely,

Jennifer

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