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## **BROADBAND INFRASTRUCTURE CRITICAL TO KINGSTON ECONOMY**

**(Kingston – May 17, 2019)** – Today, the Greater Kingston Chamber of Commerce Executive Director Karen Cross released the following statement in response to today’s broadband announcement.

“We are pleased by the government’s \$71 million investment in critical broadband and cellular infrastructure in Eastern Ontario. Access to high-speed internet is a basic requirement of the 21st century economy, much like roads, bridges, and electricity. As Kingston’s business advocate, we have long called for the government to address the province’s infrastructure deficit.

“Local businesses in Kingston are becoming increasingly dependent on internet access for their everyday business practices. High-speed internet access has become a necessity for doing business in today’s economy and it is critical that all regions across Ontario have access to this essential infrastructure”.

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