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Dear Mr. Bischof;

I want to thank you and your members for standing up for students and defending quality public education.

I respect the rights of teachers and support staff to engage in labour action in order to defend the long-term health of our education system.

A class size increase to 25 students is untenable. Mandatory online learning is inequitable. Pulling thousands of teachers out of classrooms is irresponsible.

I know today is difficult; that today's walk-out will be hard on parents, students and teachers.

Students and parents are already seeing first-hand the damage caused by education funding that does not keep up with inflation.

Classrooms are swelling, courses are being cancelled, and students with special needs are being left without the support they deserve.

The government needs to address these issues.

Thank you for your work standing up for our kids' education.

Regards,

Mike Schreiner
Leader, Green Party of Ontario

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