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Attn. Mr. G. Eldon Horner, President

Dear Sirs\Mesdames:

## Re: Standard-form closing documents-Working Group on Lawyers & Real Estate

I write to confirm that LAWPRO is pleased that FOLA is continuing with its process to promote adoption of the Ontario-wide standard closing documents prepared by the Working Group on Lawyers and Real Estate for residential transactions.

The use of standard forms, when implemented appropriately by the lawyer in the individual transaction, can help to minimize risk by ensuring that important issues are not overlooked and can help to minimize client cost. Overall, they streamline the work of the lawyer to the benefit of the public.

LAWPRO supported the creation of the document package by providing the resources of Ray Leclair, vice president of Public Affairs, Lori Swartz, TitlePLUS legal counsel and our articling students.

Good luck with your continuing rollout initiative.

Yours truly,

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