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To: Chair of Metrolinx

Subject: [REDACTED] needs your help!

Donald Wright,

[REDACTED] a Current student needs to tell you something...

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Dear elected politicians, transit service providers and university administrators,

We are deeply upset that both the YRT and GO bus routes will no longer come directly to central Keele Campus. These changes have a serious impact on the financial stability, accessibility, and safety of myself and thousands of other students, staff and faculty who access this campus via public transit.

We simply cannot afford to pay over hundreds of dollars in additional transit fees in order to transfer between service providers as this further threatens student access to education and places an additional financial burden on employees at the university, many of whom are paid the minimum wage.

The rerouting of the YRT buses poses serious accessibility and safety concerns, especially while traveling to and from the station at night. In the winter, the ice and snow will make routes from Pioneer Village station extremely dangerous and inconvenient for those of us who commute every day. This will only prove to be even more difficult for students, staff, and faculty who may live with physical disabilities, making their commute exponentially more dangerous.

Enforcing these fees for students and employees who are already struggling financially is quite frankly, ludicrous and unfair.

We are calling on you to comply with the following demands and contribute to making these a reality:

1. That the YRT/VIVA come back to their original on campus stops immediately and that GO Transit stays on campus past January 5th 2019.
2. That all transit providers; [Toronto Transit Commission (TTC), York Region Transit (YRT/VIVA), Brampton Transit (ZUM) and Metrolinx (GO Transit)] at York University commit to maintaining on campus bus routes and access to the York University Keele campus.
3. That the Provincial Government, our Members of Provincial Parliament and our City Councillors commit to working towards fare integration between all transit providers.

We are counting on you to make York's Keele campus accessible for everyone. Please take this opportunity to help reverse the decision made by the TTC, YRT, and GO in order to help save transit at York.



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