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Via e-mail: premier@ontario.ca

The Honourable Kathleen Wynne
Premier of Ontario
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Dear Premier Wynne:

Re: Cutting Public Sector Jobs (Letter 2)

The June 3rd debate did not provide the information we needed about the job cuts pending from your government's cost reduction plan, set out in your budget. You have stated that you will implement that budget, should you form government on June 12th. **As a result, I again request your answer – one that is central to the voting decision of more than 130,000 OPSEU members.**

As previously stated, it's time for you to tell us whether you are going to cut public sector jobs in order to implement the \$1.25 billion in cuts you announced in your budget. \$1.25 billion pays for more than 30,000 public sector jobs. So, are you going to cut 30,000 jobs to pay for these cuts?

To date, you haven't been clear. You haven't answered this key question. First, you said that it was complicated and that there was no yes or no answer. Then you claimed that the public sector would be at least as big after four years of Liberal government because you would hire nurses and teachers. But what about all the other dedicated women and men who work so hard to provide other important public services in the province? What happens to their jobs?

Are you prepared to make a promise to the people of Ontario that, if you are re-elected and your party again is the government, you won't pay for this budget cut by laying-off public sector employees?

Ontario's citizens and public sector workers need to know this before they vote on June 12. They are entitled to an honest, clear answer so they can make an informed decision at the ballot box.

Don't hide. Tell us. It's an easy question. Are you going to eliminate public sector jobs to fund your budget cuts or not? Yes or no.

Sincerely,



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