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Subject: Medical Laboratory Week 2026 – A Message of Appreciation

Dear Medical Laboratory Professionals,

In recognition of Medical Laboratory Week in Ontario (April 12-18, 2026), I would like to acknowledge and celebrate the invaluable contributions you make to our healthcare system every day.

Medical Laboratory Professionals play a vital role in our healthcare system, often working behind the scenes to deliver accurate, timely diagnostic information that guides medical decisions and saves lives. In Kitchener and across Ontario, your expertise, dedication, and commitment ensure that patients, physicians and care teams have the answers they need, when they need them most.

This week of recognition is especially meaningful given the ongoing staffing shortages facing laboratories throughout the province. Despite these challenges, you continue to serve your communities with professionalism, resilience, and compassion. Here in Kitchener, your work has a direct and lasting impact on the health and wellbeing of our residents.

As we mark Medical Laboratory Week 2026, I want to extend my sincere thanks and best wishes to all Medical Laboratory Professionals. Your work is fundamental to the health and wellbeing of people across Ontario.

Thank you for all that you do, not only during this week of recognition, but every day throughout the year.

Sincerely,

Berry Vrbanovic
~Mayor~