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Dear Mr. Hebb

The Central Kings Community Health Board has an agenda to promote healthy communities using a Population Health approach.

We support the Bill 60 as introduced in its broad effort to reduce all smoking (tobacco and other products) in indoor places where smoking is currently banned under the Smoke Free Places Act.

We support legislation that subjects e-cigarettes and electronic nicotine delivery systems to the same regulations as tobacco products. This includes: prohibiting sales to minors, prohibiting smoking in areas currently banned through the Smoke Free Places Act, restricting advertising at point of sale.

The CKCHB asks that you include menthol in the definition of flavoured products. Evidence shows that youth use of flavoured tobacco including menthol are higher than regular tobacco, and that its masking effect does indeed lead to addictive behaviours.

Thank you for your attention to this important matter.

Sincerely

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