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On behalf of the Government of Ontario, I would like to congratulate the Ontario Institute for Cancer Research (OICR) on another year of remarkable achievements.

For over two decades, OICR has been at the forefront of cancer research, advancing understanding of the disease and improving outcomes for patients across Ontario and around the world. A cornerstone of OICR's success is its ability to bring together leading researchers, health care partners and institutions to tackle some of the most complex challenges in cancer care. Through these collaborations, OICR has established Ontario as a global leader in cancer genomics and precision medicine.

OICR continues to drive innovation through research that is shaping the future of cancer care. Over the past year, OICR researchers made significant advances in liquid biopsy technology, developing blood-based tools that can detect and monitor cancer using traces of tumour DNA found in the bloodstream. These discoveries have the potential to improve early detection, guide treatment decisions and make testing easier for patients. By accelerating the development of more accurate and less invasive cancer tests, OICR will redefine what is possible in cancer research.

Our government is proud to have invested more than $576 million in OICR over the past eight years, driving discoveries that improve patient outcomes, strengthen our economy and reinforce Ontario's position as a global leader in cancer research and care. The work being done by OICR and its partners is advancing the frontiers of medicine and bringing hope to patients and families across the province.

Thank you for your continued leadership and dedication to improving the lives of people across Ontario.

Sincerely,



The Honourable Nolan Quinn
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