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The Ontario Legislature resumed on April 14 with a Throne Speech outlining the Government's agenda for the next four years and focussed on supporting the economy in the face of US tariffs. The speech also included the continued commitment to build or upgrade 58,000 spaces in Long-Term Care.

New Parliamentary Assistants were announced for long-term care seeing a return to the file of MPP John Jordan (Lanark–Frontenac–Kingston) and the addition of MPP Dawn Gallaher Murphy (Newmarket-Aurora) , who was previously with health and has a demonstrated interest in seniors care.

While PAs Gallaher and Jordan have been appearing at events on behalf of LTC Minister Natalia Kusendova-Bashta as she continued her maternity leave, the Minister has been attending more events.

Funding uncertainty for many sectors and organizations continues as the date for the much awaited Spring Budget has not been announced. The anticipated timeline for the Budget is now mid May.

OLTCC continues to liaise with both Ministry and Minister's Office, as well as attending regular advisory tables.