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Humber Presents Plans for Orangeville Campus *College seeks support of Orangeville Town Council*

Toronto, Ontario – April XX, 2009 – On [insert day] Humber College representatives presented plans for the next phase of the Orangeville Veteran's Way campus to members of the Town Council. Humber is planning the construction of a full-service campus that will help shape the future of the growing Orangeville community. The campus is anticipated to be completed in three phases, with phase one completed by 2012. Initial construction will include site development, utilities infrastructure and instructional space and services.

Humber is already providing programs in a temporary location at the Alder Street Recreational Centre. There are more than 140 students enrolled in four different programs at Humber's Alder Street campus, with fall 2009 enrolment expected to top 200 students. A Home Renovation Technician program will be added in the fall. It is anticipated that the student population will exceed 450 by 2011, and will be on target to reach a cohort of 600 students that will be needed to justify the new Veterans' Way location.

The second and third construction phases will focus on increasing academic delivery space and improving faculty and student services. When completed, the Veteran's Way campus will accommodate 2,000 students primarily in diploma programs and will be well positioned to respond to the needs of local business and industry. Degree and apprentice programs will be added as student demand increases. The Veteran's Way campus will have a number of environmentally friendly and sustainable features including area reforestation, geothermal buildings and ground water pollutant reduction.

While more than a million dollars has been invested to date, it is expected that the Veteran's Way campus will cost approximately \$40 million to build. Humber is planning to contribute \$10 million, and has submitted a proposal to the Ontario Ministry of Training, Colleges and University for the remaining \$28 million. In addition to federal and provincial support, the Veteran's Way campus requires the support of Orangeville Town Council in gaining wider financial commitments.

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