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The Honourable Doug Ford Premier's Office, Room 281 Legislative Building, Queen's Park Toronto, ON M7A 1A1

Dear Premier Ford:

RE: Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act – Web-site Support New Business

10, Belleville City Council Meeting, October 26, 2020

This is to advise you that at the Council Meeting of October 26, 2020, the following resolution was approved.

"WHEREAS Section 14(4) of O. Reg 191/11 under the Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act requires designated public sector organizations to conform to WCAG 2.0 Level AA by January 1, 2021; and

WHEREAS the City remains committed to the provision of accessible goods and services; and

WHEREAS the City provides accommodations to meet any stated accessibility need, where possible; and

WHEREAS the declared pandemic, COVID-19, has impacted the finances and other resources of the City; and

WHEREAS the Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act contemplates the need to consider technical or economic considerations in the implementation of Accessibility Standards; BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED THAT the Corporation of the City of Belleville requests that the Province of Ontario consider providing funding support and training resources to municipalities to meet these compliance standards; and

THAT this resolution be forwarded to the Premier of the Province of Ontario, Prince Edward-Hastings M.P.P., Todd Smith, Hastings – Lennox & Addington M.P.P., Daryl Kramp, the Association of Municipalities of Ontario and all municipalities within the Province of Ontario."

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Matt MacDoñald Director of Corporate Services/City Clerk

MMacD/nh Pc: AMO

Todd Smith, MPP Prince Edward-Hastings Daryl Kramp, MPP Hastings – Lennox & Addington Councillor Thompson, City of Belleville Ontario Municipalities