



April 23, 2021

Doug Downey
Attorney General
McMurtry-Scott Building
720 Bay Street, 11th Floor
Toronto ON M7A 2S9

Dear Honorable Mr. Downey:

Re: Lottery Licensing to Assist Small Organizations

Small organizations are the foundation of rural Ontario. Thousands of hours of selfless volunteerism are logged each year by organizations who may not necessarily be considered not-for profit or charitable. That doesn't mean that they don't contribute to our communities; small organizations cook for the homeless, clean up parks and flower beds, read to young people, teach life skills to young adults, organize parades, put on concerts...the list goes on.

Many of these small organizations are not eligible to receive a lottery license. This makes it impossible for them to continue to be successful as their fundraising capabilities are extremely limited.

Through this correspondence, we request that you give serious consideration to instituting an additional level of lottery licensing which would enable small organizations to obtain a lottery license. Those who are not able to sustain a non-profit or charitable status could still receive a lottery license if their proceeds benefit the community. Thresholds could be placed on the prize values and perhaps even the number of events which could be held in a calendar year.

We hear over and over again about the hardships in our community and we know that there are organizations who have the ability to help and are not permitted to. Understanding this, Council adopted a resolution seeking your consideration.

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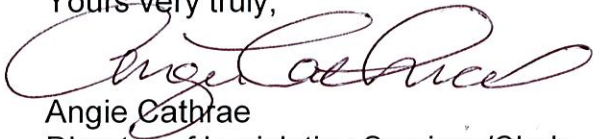
*It was **Moved** by J. Kirkland, **Seconded** by K. Durst and **Carried***

***That** staff are directed to contact the Ministry responsible for Alcohol and Gaming of Ontario to seek their assistance in implementing an additional level of licensing which would permit small organizations to hold fundraisers as a method of sustaining our community and organizations;*

And further that all municipalities in Ontario are sent this resolution to seek their assistance in lobbying the Ministry.

We look forward to your consideration of our request.

Yours very truly,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Angie Cathrae", written in a cursive style.

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cc: MPP Bill Walker, All Ontario Municipalities



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June 1, 2021

Re: Copy of Resolution #371

Motion No. 371

Moved by: Ed McGugan Seconded by: Carl Sloetjes

THAT the Township of Huron-Kinloss Council hereby support South Bruce Peninsula in requesting that the Province of Ontario give consideration to instituting an additional level of lottery licencing which would enable small organizations to obtain a lottery licence AND further direct staff to forward a copy of this resolution to all Ontario Municipalities and the Alcohol and Gaming Commission of Ontario.

Sincerely,

Kelly Lush
Deputy Clerk

c.c: All Ontario Municipalities and the Alcohol and Gaming Commission of Ontario