



The Corporation of the Municipality of Wawa

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

RESOLUTION

Tuesday, May 2, 2023

Resolution # RC23121	Meeting Order: 6
Moved by: <i>M. Hoyle</i>	Seconded by: <i>Jeffrey Opats</i>

**WHEREAS** several municipalities have shared resolutions seeking Council's support to request that the Ontario Government amend the Municipal Act and include in the Oath of Office a clause that recognizes and affirms the Aboriginal and treaty rights of First Nations, Inuit and Metis peoples;

**AND WHEREAS** many municipalities in Ontario have an aboriginal land acknowledgement in the opening of Council Meetings. This supports the recognition of rights of Indigenous people and advances acts of Truth and Reconciliation;

**AND WHEREAS** the Federal Government amended the wording of the Oath of Citizenship in 2021 to include clear reference to the rights of Indigenous peoples aimed at advancing the Truth and Reconciliation Commission's Calls to Action within the broader reconciliation framework;

**AND WHEREAS** the Municipality of Trent Lakes has requested municipal support of their Resolution forwarded to the Ontario Minister of Municipal Affairs to amend the Oath of Office;

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Council of the Corporation of the Municipality of Wawa request that the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing make the following changes to the municipal oath of office: "I will be faithful and bear true allegiance to His Majesty King Charles III and that I will faithfully observe the laws of Canada including the Constitution, which recognizes and affirms the Aboriginal and treaty rights of First Nations, Inuit and Metis peoples; and further.;

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AND FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED THAT this resolution be forwarded to the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO), all Ontario municipalities, MPP Dave Smith, MP Michelle Ferreri, Premier Doug Ford and Curve Lake First Nation.

RESOLUTION RESULT		RECORDED VOTE		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	CARRIED	MAYOR AND COUNCIL	YES	NO
<input type="checkbox"/>	DEFEATED	Mitch Hatfield		
<input type="checkbox"/>	TABLED	Cathy Cannon		
<input type="checkbox"/>	RECORDED VOTE (SEE RIGHT)	Mitch Hatfield		
<input type="checkbox"/>	PECUNIARY INTEREST DECLARED	Jim Hoffmann		
<input type="checkbox"/>	WITHDRAWN	Joseph Opat		

Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest and the general nature thereof.

- Disclosed the pecuniary interest and general name thereof and abstained from the discussion, vote and influence.

Clerk: \_\_\_\_\_

MAYOR - MELANIE PILON	DEPUTY CLERK - MANUELA BATOVANJA