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Ann-Marie Norio, Regional Clerk Niagara Region 1815 Sir Isaac Brock Way Thorold, ON L2V 4T7

Dear Ms. Norio:

Re: Niagara Region - Motion Respecting Recommendations from the Renfrew County Inquest and Declaration of Intimate Partner Violence as an Epidemic

This is to confirm that at the Oct 23, 2023 Council Meeting the following resolution was adopted with respect to the above noted matter:

- That, the correspondence received from the Regional Municipality of Niagara regarding the Motion Respecting Recommendations from the Renfrew County Inquest and Declaration of Intimate Partner Violence as an Epidemic, as attached as Schedule A, be received and supported; and,
- 2. That, the Township of West Lincoln recognize the issues of gender-based violence and intimate partner violence in Niagara as serious to the health and wellness of local residents and their families; and,
- 3. That, the Township of West Lincoln commit to engaging with community partners to educate and support our residents about the seriousness and long-term danger of violence in our communities; and,
- 4. That, the Township of West Lincoln declare, in accordance with Recommendation #5 of the Niagara Region request, that intimate partner violence and gender-based violence are an epidemic; and,
- 5. That, a copy of this motion be sent to each of Niagara's 12 Local Area Municipalities; The Honourable Arif Virani, Minister of Justice; The Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario; The Honourable Charmaine A. Williams, Associate Minister of Women's Social and Economic Opportunity; The Honourable Parm Gill, Minister of Red Tape Reduction; Niagara four MPs; Niagara's four MPPs; the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO); the

Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM); Mayors and Regional Chairs of Ontario (MARCO); and Ontario's Big City Mayors (OBCM).

If any further information is required, please contact the undersigned at 905-957-3346, Ext 6720.

Yours Truly,

Jessica Dyson

Director of Legislative Services/Clerk

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