Corporate Services Department, Clerk’s Division

August 18, 2020

Honourable Doug Ford, Premier
Legislative Building, Queen’s Park
Toronto, ON  M7A 1Y7

Dear Premier Ford:

Re: Resolution – Funding and Inspections for Long Term Care Homes due to COVID-19 Pandemic

Please be advised that, at its meeting of August 10, 2020, the Council of The Corporation of the City of Port Colborne resolved as follows:

That the resolution received from the Township of South Glengarry regarding funding and regular inspections for Long Term Care facilities, be supported.

A copy of the above noted resolution is enclosed for your reference. Your favourable consideration of this request is respectfully requested.

Sincerely,

Amber LaPointe
City Clerk

Encl.

ec: Hon. Merrilee Fullerton, Minister of Long-term Care
Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO)
Ontario Municipalities
CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF SOUTH GLENGARRY

MOVED BY Stephanie Jaworski  

RESOLUTION NO 229-2020  

SECONDED BY Lyle Warden  

DATE July 20, 2020  

WHEREAS the COVID-19 pandemic has disproportionately affected the vulnerable elderly population in Canada’s long-term care (LTC) homes and some of Ontario’s LTC homes are among those with the highest fatality rates in the country as the pandemic has exposed deplorable conditions in many LTC homes across Canada; and

WHEREAS it is the mandate of the Ministry of Long-Term Care to inspect long term care homes on an annual basis and these inspections have consistently dropped in number since 2017 with only nine completed out of 626 long term care homes in 2019; and

WHEREAS residents have been endangered by personnel moving between infection zones without adequate equipment; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Township of South Glengarry urges the Ontario government to provide funding to increase full-time positions in place of casual and part-time labour in long term care homes and requests that the Ministry of Long-term Care acts to regularly inspect all long term care homes, and sound infection control measures are put in place at all Ontario long term care homes, and that this resolution be forwarded to Premier Ford, the Minister of Long-term Care Merrilee Fullerton and all Ontario municipalities for consideration.

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Mayor Frank Prevost

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