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MEMORANDUM

CL-C 74-2018

Subject: Filling of Vacant Regional Council Seat

Date: December 13, 2018
To: Regional Council

From: Ann-Marie Norio, Regional Clerk

At the Inaugural meeting of Regional Council held on December 6, 2018, Council declared the seat held by Regional Councillor Jim Bradley vacant as a result of his election to the Regional Chair's position.

Council also adopted a resolution requesting that the Council of the City of St. Catharines advise Regional Council of its preferred method of filling the vacancy on Regional Council.

Council is now in receipt of a resolution of St. Catharines Council advising that it recommends Mr. Kelly Edgar be appointed to fill the vacant seat of Regional Councillor for the City of St. Catharines for the 2018-2022 term of council.

Regional Council has a policy (C-RC-002) that, in the event of a vacancy in the Office of Regional Councillor in any municipality in Niagara Region (except in Wainfleet, where said vacancy would coincide with a vacancy in the Office of the Mayor):

- Regional Council shall request the local municipality to advise the Region of their recommendation on whether a qualified elector should be appointed or if a by-election should be held; and
- 2. Regional Council would approve the recommendation of the local municipality provided it was in compliance with all provisions in the *Municipal Act* and the *Municipal Elections Act*.

In accordance with Policy C-RC-002 it is recommended that Council adopt the following motion at the Regional Council meeting on December 13, 2018:

WHEREAS Regional Council had requested and has received the recommendation from the Council of City of St. Catharines with respect to the filling of the vacant seat on Regional Council with the appointment of Kelly Edgar;

WHEREAS Kelly Edgar has consented to accept the office of Regional Councillor if appointed.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED

That Kelly Edgar **BE APPOINTED** as Regional Councillor for the City of St. Catharines to fill the vacant seat for the remainder of the existing Council term (2018-2022); and

That the Regional Clerk **ADMINISTER** the Declaration of Office to Kelly Edgar at this time in order that Mr. Edgar can assume his seat immediately after taking the Declaration of Office.

Respectfully submitted and signed by,

Ann-Marie Norio Regional Clerk

Attachment: Letter from Bonnie Nistico-Dunk, City Clerk, City of St. Catharines advising Regional Council of St. Catharines City Council's recommendation for the filling of the vacant seat on Regional Council.