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January 19, 2021

Sent via email: Local Area Municipalities

# Re: Town of Lincoln Council Resolution re: Niagara Region Recognize and Acknowledge Mental Health as a Regional Crisis and Support Solutions to End Homelessness and Addiction

Please be advised that Council for the Corporation of the Town of Lincoln at its Special Council Meeting held on January 18, 2021 passed the following motion:

Moved by: Councillor Greg Reimer; Seconded by: Councillor Paul MacPherson

That the correspondence received from the City of Niagara Falls, dated November 17, 2020 and presentation provided by Mr. Soos to Special Council for the Town of Lincoln on December 7, 2020 be received; and

That Council for the Corporation of the Town of Lincoln request that Niagara Region recognize and acknowledge Mental Health as a Regional crisis and support solutions to end homelessness and addiction; and

That Lincoln staff present back to Council a report on potential local solutions and supports, in collaboration with regional staff.

#### **CARRIED**

Regards,

Julie Kirkelos Town Clerk jkirkelos@lincoln.ca

cc: Local Area Municipalities



## The City of Niagara Falls, Ontario Resolution

No. 10

November 17,2020

Moved by: Councillor Wayne Campbell

#### Seconded by: Councillor Victor Pietrangelo

**WHEREAS** According to the Province of Ontario Emergency Response Plan (2008), Canadian municipalities are free to declare states of emergencies in response to "any situation or impending situation caused by the forces of nature, an accident, an intentional act or otherwise that constitutes a danger of major proportions to life or property."

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**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the City of Niagara Falls request the Niagara Region to declare a state of emergency on mental health, homelessness, and addiction.

**FURTHERMORE**, the Niagara Regional Council, Niagara Region Public Health and Social Services, Premier of Ontario, the provincial Minister of Health, Minister of the Attorney General, Minister of Children, Community, and Social Services, the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, and the Leader of the Official Opposition, as well as the Prime Minister of Canada, all regional municipalities and all local area municipalities within the Niagara Region be copied on this resolution."

AND The Seal of the Corporation be hereto affixed.

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WILLIAM G. MATSON CITY CLERK

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JAMES M. DIODATI MAYOR



January 14, 2021

Ann-Marie Norio, Regional Clerk Niagara Region 1815 Sir Isaac Brock Way Thorold ON L2V 4T7 ann-marie.norio@niagararegion.ca

Attention: Ms. Norio,

#### Re: Request to Declare State of Emergency on Mental Health, Homelessness and Addiction

At their regular meeting of January 11, 2021, the following resolution was adopted with respect to the above noted matter:

WHEREAS According to the Province of Ontario Emergency Response Plan (2008), Canadian municipalities are free to declare states of emergencies in response to "any situation or impending situation caused by the forces of nature, an accident, an intentional act or other Wise that constitutes a danger of major proportions to life or property."

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THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Town of Pelham request the Niagara Region to declare a state of emergency on mental health, homelessness, and addiction.

FURTHERMORE, the Niagara Regional Council, Niagara Region Public Health and Social Services, Premier of Ontario, the provincial Minister of Health, Minister of the Attorney General, Minister of Children, Community, and Social Services, the Minister



of Municipal Affairs and Housing, and the Leader of the Official Opposition, as well as the Prime Minister of Canada, all regional municipalities and all local area municipalities within the Niagara Region be copied on this resolution."

If you have any questions or concerns regarding the above, do not hesitate to contact the undersigned.

Yours very truly,

(Mrs.) Nancy J. Bozzato, Dipl.M.M., AMCT Town Clerk

cc. Justin Trudeau, Prime Minister of Canada, <u>Justin.trudeau@parl.gc.ca</u> Niagara Region Public Health and Social Services Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario, <u>doug.fordco@pc.ola.org</u> Christine Elliot, Provincial Minister of Health, <u>christine.elliott@pc.ola.org</u> Doug Downey, Minister of Attorney General, <u>doug.downey@pc.ola.org</u> Todd Smith, Minister of Children, Community and Social Services, <u>todd.smithco@pc.ola.org</u> Steve Cark, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, <u>steve.clark@pc.ola.org</u> Andrea Horwath, Leader of the Official Opposition, <u>ahorwath-qp@ndp.on.ca</u> Local Niagara Municipalities Sam Oosterhoff, Niagara West MPP, <u>sam.oosterhoff@pc.ola.org</u> Dean Allison, Niagara West MPP, <u>dean.allison@parl.gc.ca</u>

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January 25, 2021

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Sent via E-mail: Justin.trudeau@parl.gc.ca

The Right Honourable Justin Trudeau Prime Minister House of Commons Ottawa, ON K1A 0A6

Honourable and Dear Sir:

### Re: Resolution – Mental Health, Homelessness and Addiction

Please be advised that, at its meeting of January 11, 2021, the Council of The Corporation of the City of Port Colborne resolved as follows:

That the resolution received from the City of Niagara Falls - Mental Health, Homelessness and Addiction, be supported.

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

Sincerely,

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ec: The Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario Honourable Christine Elliott, Minister of Health Honourable Doug Downey, Attorney General Honourable Todd Smith, Minister of Children, Community, and Social Services Honourable Steve Clark, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing Andrea Horwath, Leader of Official Opposition Niagara Region Niagara Region Public Health Niagara Area Municipalities



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WILLIAM G. MATSON CITY CLERK

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JAMES M. DIODATI MAYOR



January 12, 2021

City of Niagara Falls City Clerk's Office Attn: William Matson 4310 Queen St., Niagara Falls, ON L2E 6X5

Sent via email: hruzylo@niagarafalls.ca

Re: Request for Support - Motion – Request to the Niagara Region to Declare a State of Emergency on Mental Health, Homelessness and Addiction Our File 35.23.2

Dear Mayor and Council,

At its meeting held on December 14, 2020, St. Catharines City Council approved the following motion:

"That Council endorse the resolution from the City of Niagara Falls regarding the request to the Niagara Region to Declare a State of Emergency on Mental Health, Homelessness and Addiction."

If you have any questions, please contact the Office of the City Clerk at extension 1501.

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Bonnie Nistico-Dunk, City Clerk Legal and Clerks Services, Office of the City Clerk :ra

Cc: Niagara Regional Council via Regional Clerk's Office Scott Rosts, Office of St. Catharines Mayor Shelley Chemnitz, Chief Administrative Officer

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April 22, 2020

File No. 21-30

SENT VIA EMAIL

Office of the Regional Clerk Niagara Regional Council 1815 Sir Isaac Brock Way P.O. Box 1042 Thorold, ON L2V 4T7

Attention: Ann-Marie Norio, Regional Clerk

Dear Ms. Norio:

#### Re: January 19, 2021 – WELLAND CITY COUNCIL

At its meeting of January 19, 2021, Welland City Council passed the following motion:

"THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND requests the Niagara Region to declare a state of emergency on mental health, homelessness and addiction; and further

The Niagara Regional Council, Niagara Region Public Health and Social Services, Premier of Ontario, Minister of Health, Minister of the Attorney General, Minister of Children, Community and Social Services, Minister of Municipal Affairs and the Niagara Center MPP be copied on this resolution."

Yours truly,

Tara Stephens City Clerk

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c.c.: Niagara Region Public Health, sent via email Premier of Ontario, Doug Ford, sent via email Minister of the Attorney General, sent via email Minister of Children, Community and Social Services, sent via email Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, sent via email Niagara MPPs, sent via email Local Municipalities, sent via email Adam Eckhart, Fire Chief, sent via email