RECRUITMENT OF PERMANENT MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH

WHEREAS Niagara Region has been without a permanent Medical Officer of Health since January of 2018;

WHEREAS the handling of the current worldwide COVID-19 pandemic and locally-declared states of emergency have contributed to the delay in the recruitment of a Chief Medical Officer of Health for the Niagara Region; and

WHEREAS Ontario has now entered into Step 3 of its COVID-19 Reopening Framework and work is well underway to recruit a Chief Administrative Officer for the Regional Municipality of Niagara.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:

1. That staff **BE DIRECTED** to initiate the recruitment process for a permanent Medical Officer of Health for the Niagara Region; and

2. That staff **EXPEDITE** the hiring of this position so that Niagara Region may be well prepared for the future.