

THE REGIONAL MUNICIPALITY OF NIAGARA

BY-LAW NO. <>

A BY-LAW TO AMEND BY-LAW 2022-24 BEING
A BY-LAW TO ESTABLISH AND MAINTAIN A
LOBBYIST REGISTRY FOR THE
REGIONAL MUNICIPALITY OF NIAGARA
AND TO REPEAL BY-LAW 2022-89

WHEREAS section 223.9 of the Municipal Act S.O., 2001, Chapter 25, as amended, (the Act) authorizes The Regional Municipality of Niagara to establish and maintain a Lobbyist Registry in which shall be kept registrations and returns filed by persons who lobby The Regional Municipality of Niagara's Public Office Holders;

WHEREAS section 223.11 of the Act authorizes The Regional Municipality of Niagara to appoint a Lobbyist Registrar who is responsible for performing in an independent manner the functions assigned by the Region of Niagara with respect to the Lobbyist Registry;

WHEREAS sections 8, 9, and 10 of the Act authorize The Regional Municipality of Niagara to pass by-laws necessary or desirable for municipal purposes, and in particular paragraph 2 of subsection 10(2) authorizes by-laws respecting the accountability and transparency of the municipality and its operations,

WHEREAS By-law 2022-24 being a by-law to establish and maintain a Lobbyist Registry for The Regional Municipality of Niagara was passed on April 14, 2022 and included that Part 4: Enforcement and Penalties would not come into effect until six months after the by-law was passed to allow for an educational period;

Whereas on September 22, 2022, Regional Council amended By-law 2022-24 to include that Part 4: Enforcement and Penalties would not come into effect until 12 months after the by-law was passed to allow for an educational period;

WHEREAS Council wishes to further increase that 12 month educational period by an additional 12 months.

NOW THEREFORE the Council of The Regional Municipality of Niagara enacts as follows:

1. That section 13 of By-law 2022-24 be amended as follows:

That this By-law shall come into force and effect on the date on which it is passed, with the exception of Part 4: Enforcement and Penalties, which is to come into force and effect ~~six (6)~~ **24** months after.

2. That this by-law shall come into force and effect on the day upon which it is passed.

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James Bradley, Regional Chair

Ann-Marie Norio, Regional Clerk

Passed: <date>