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## MEMORANDUM

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**Subject: Niagara Region's Representation on the NPCA Board of Directors**

**Date: July 18, 2019**

**To: Regional Council**

**From: Jim Bradley, Regional Chair**

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Councillors,

At the May 16 Special Meeting of Council, a motion was passed that directed the Regional Chair to enter into negotiations with Hamilton and Haldimand regarding the composition of the NPCA Board of Directors. As a direct result of this motion, talks were held on June 10 with representatives from the three municipalities at which time I committed to determining Council's preference regarding board composition.

At our June 20 meeting of Regional Council, an informal survey of council's membership was taken that indicated the will of Council was to increase Niagara Region's membership on the NPCA Board of Directors from 12 members to 15. Based on the discussion that occurred regarding this poll, as well as the debate that arose from CL-C 46-2019, it appears that Regional Council is eager to both increase Niagara's membership on the Board and make the necessary appointments as soon as possible.

In listening to the June 20 discussion, it was also suggested that Niagara's three additional members would be Regional Councillors to ensure an appropriate mix of elected representatives and citizen appointments.

To this end, I propose that Regional Councillors consider approving the following two actions this evening:

1. That the Regional Chair **BE DIRECTED** to inform the Mayors of Hamilton and Haldimand that Niagara Region will be increasing their NPCA Board of Directors membership from 12 to 15 in order to ensure an appropriate mix of elected representatives on the Board; and
2. That Niagara Regional Council **APPOINT** three Regional Councillors to the NPCA Board of Directors effective immediately.

Should council approve these motions, the intent is that the selection of the three Regional Councillors would occur this evening.

The legacy issues surrounding the NPCA and the membership of the Board have rightfully been of a keen interest to this term of Council. Based on the significant debate that has transpired at Council, as well as numerous conversations I have had with members of Council, I believe it is in the best interest of Council to move forward these two actions this evening.

Sincerely,

Original signed by:

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Jim Bradley  
Regional Chair