

## Town of Newmarket Council Extract Council - Electronic

Title: Resolution in Support of Bill 5 Stopping Harassment and Abuse by Local Leaders

Act, 2022

Date: Monday, June 5, 2023

Moved by: Councillor Kwapis
Seconded by: Councillor Bisanz

Whereas Bill 5—Stopping Harassment and Abuse by Local Leaders Act, 2022 was introduced in the Ontario Legislature through a Private Member's Bill on August 10, 2022; and,

And Whereas the Town of Newmarket and Council are committed to demonstrating good governance and greater accountability to its Code of Conduct and workplace policies.

Therefore be it resolved,

- 1. That the Council of the Town of Newmarket endorses Bill 5—Stopping Harassment and Abuse by Local Leaders Act, 2022 which would require the Code of Conduct for municipal Councillors and members of local boards to include a requirement to comply with workplace violence and harassment policies and permit municipalities to direct the Integrity Commissioner to apply to the court to vacate a member's seat if the Commissioner's Inquiry determines that the member has contravened this requirement; and,
- 2. And that the Council of the Town of Newmarket expresses its support for Bill 5 by directing the Clerk to send this resolution to the Premier of Ontario; the Ontario Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing; the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO); the local Members of Parliament (MP's); the local Members of Provincial Parliament (MPP's); Ontario Small Urban Municipalities (OSUM) and all Ontario Municipalities.

Carried