



The Corporation of the Township of Terrace Bay

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November 19, 2024

Premier Doug Ford
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Dear Mr. Ford,

At the Township of Terrace Bay Regular Council Meeting held on Monday November 17, 2024 the following resolution of support was passed.

Re: Good Roads Association, Establishment of an Ontario Rural Road Safety Program

Resolution: 306-2024

Moved By: Councillor Johnson

Seconded By: Councillor Adduono

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council receive the correspondence from the Good Roads Association regarding the establishment of an Ontario Rural Road Safety Program, for information;

AND THAT Council endorse and support the motion as circulated by the Good Roads Association, being:

WHEREAS official statistics from the Government of Ontario confirm that rural roads are inherently more dangerous than other roads;

AND WHEREAS despite only having 17% of the population, 55% of the road fatalities occur on rural roads;

AND WHEREAS rural, northern, and remote municipalities are fiscally strained by maintaining extensive road networks on a smaller tax base;

AND WHEREAS preventing crashes helps to alleviate the burden on Ontario's already strained rural health care system;

AND WHEREAS roadway collisions and associated lawsuits are significant factors in runaway municipal insurance premiums. Preventing crashes can have a significant impact in improving municipal risk profiles;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Township of Terrace Bay requests that the Government of Ontario take action to implement the rural road safety program that Good Roads has committed to lead. It will allow Ontario's rural municipalities to make the critical investments needed to reduce the high number of people being killed and seriously injured on Ontario's rural roads;



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AND FURTHER THAT a copy of this resolution be forwarded to Hon. Doug Ford, Premier, Hon. Prabmeet Singh Sarkaria, Minister of Transportation, Hon. Kinga Surma, Minister of Infrastructure, Hon. Rob Flack, Minister of Agriculture, Food and Agribusiness, Hon. Lisa M. Thompson, Minister of Rural Affairs, Hon. Trevor Jones, Associate Minister of Emergency Preparedness and Response, and Hon. Sylvia Jones, Minister of Health, Hon. Lise Vaugeois, MPP, and Good Roads;

AND FURTHER THAT this resolution be circulated to all municipalities in Ontario requesting their support.

Sincerely,

J. Hall
Chief Administrative Officer/Clerk

CC:

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