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**THE CORPORATION OF THE
TOWN OF NIAGARA-ON-THE-LAKE**
OFFICE OF THE TOWN CLERK

DATE: _____ RESOLUTION NO. _____

MOVED BY COUNCILLOR: _____

SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR: _____

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of The Corporation of the Town of Niagara-on-the-Lake endorses the attached resolution from the Town of Fort Erie dated May 20, 2020;

AND FURTHER that notice be sent to the same distribution list as the Town of Fort Erie.



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2. Cottage Street Stop Sign

Therefore be it resolved that staff investigate and report on a stop sign on Cottage Street.



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3. Grace United Church lay by

Therefore be it resolved that staff report on the possibility of permit parking only in the lay by and providing Grace United Church with permits.



Community Services

Legislative Services

May 20, 2020

The Right Honourable Justin Trudeau
Prime Minister
House of Commons
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The Honourable Doug Ford,
Premier of Ontario
Room 281, Legislative Building, Queen's Park
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Honourable and Dear Sirs:

Re: COVID-19 - Personal Facial Masks

Please be advised the Municipal Council of the Town of Fort Erie at its meeting of May 19, 2020 passed the following resolution for your action:

Whereas the Federal and Provincial governments have been guided by advice from science and health professionals to date in dealing with the COVID-19 emergency and should continue to do so, and

Whereas Canadians have been asked to stay at home and maintain physical distance from others if they go out to help flatten the curve of COVID-19, and

Whereas the Federal and Provincial Governments are beginning to expand the scope of businesses allowed to operate, and locations where people may go as the economy is reopened, and

Whereas there will be more businesses opening up, more individuals returning to work, and more patronage in local area businesses that will assist in moving the economy forward in a positive direction, and

Whereas given that more people will be coming into closer contact with each other, there is a risk for the spread of the Novel Coronavirus to rise as a direct result, and

Whereas it would be wise to add to the government's plan to mitigate that risk by implementing a policy and directive with respect to the wearing of non-medical masks when physical distancing is not possible, and

Whereas local, national and global Public Health Officials agree that there are individuals who disclose or display no symptoms who may be carriers of the virus, those who have mild symptoms and are about to get sick, as well as those who are sick but don't know that they are infected with COVID-19, who could transmit the virus, and

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Whereas Canada's Chief Public Health Officer, Doctor Theresa Tam, has recently issued new advice for Canadians to wear a non-medical face mask to help cut down the spread of the Novel Coronavirus to others by reducing the chance of respiratory droplets coming into contact with others or landing on surfaces, and

Whereas there remains some discord among health authorities as to the efficacy of wearing facial masks, but there seems to be clear agreement that in some circumstances a facial mask will assist in reducing the risk of the wearer spreading the virus, and

Whereas facial masks for personal use need not be medical grade but can be made out of readily available things in people's homes such as scarves, bandanas, sheets, denim and cotton shirts as examples, and

Whereas Canadians can help by taking this additional measure when there are situations where proper physical distancing from others is difficult;

Now therefore be it resolved,

That: The Council of the Town of Fort Erie hereby requests the Prime Minister of Canada and the Premier of Ontario to consider implementing policies regarding the wearing of masks when social distancing is not possible and within essential services such as grocery stores, pharmacies and the like, as society is reopened following the current emergency, and further

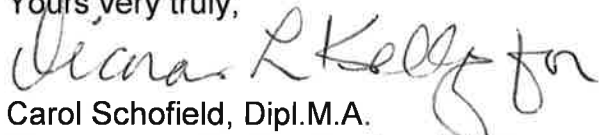
That: Any such policies remain in place until such time that it can be demonstrated that the curve of the virus spread has been flattened and the outbreak is contained, and further

That: The Federal and Provincial governments adopt an educational program providing instruction on how to make your own personal facial mask, proper use of a facial mask in the circumstances specified, and safe handling procedures of a facial mask, and further

That: A copy of this resolution be circulated to The Right Honourable Justin Trudeau, Prime Minister, The Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario, Wayne Gates, MPP-Niagara Falls, The Regional Municipality of Niagara, and all Niagara Area Local Municipalities, for their support.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Yours very truly,



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