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October 23, 2026

Honourable Doug Ford
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premier@ontario.ca

Re: Policy Without Appropriation: Physician Shortage in Northern Ontario and the Practice Ready Ontario Program; Support of Bruce Mines Resolution No. 2026-181

Dear Premier Ford,

On behalf of the Council of the Municipality of Central Manitoulin, we are writing to you in support of the Council of the Town of Bruce Mines resolution no. 2026-181 addressing the physician shortage in Northern Ontario.

Being that Northern Ontario's municipalities face a structural imbalance that is fundamentally different from communities in the south. We are small in population, geographically dispersed, and operate with limited tax bases that cannot support the escalating costs associated with physician recruitment, retention, and community health infrastructure. Despite these limitations, municipalities are increasingly expected to shoulder responsibilities that fall squarely within the provincial mandate for health care delivery.

Municipalities have stepped in where we can, but we cannot continue to fund physician recruitment packages, housing incentives, locum coverage, or clinic operations without dedicated provincial support. The current model places an unsustainable burden on small communities that simply do not have the tax revenue to fill the gaps left by the provincial health care system.

Therefore, the Council of the Municipality of Central Manitoulin endorses Resolution 226-2026:

We respectfully request that the Province of Ontario:

1. ***Establish a dedicated Northern Ontario Physician Recruitment and Retention Fund,*** *accessible to small and rural municipalities ensuring communities are not forced to subsidize provincial healthcare responsibilities.*
2. ***Work directly with Northern municipalities*** *to develop a coordinated strategy that reflects the unique demographic, geographic, and fiscal realities of the North.*

We would welcome the opportunity to discuss this matter further and kindly request a written response from your office.

Sincerely,

Ms. Denise Deforge – CAO/Clerk
Municipality of Central Manitoulin

cc.

Ms. Marit Stiles
Leader of the Official Opposition
Leader, New Democratic Party of Ontario

Mr. John Fraser
Interim Leader, Ontario Liberal Party

The Honourable Sylvia Jones
Deputy Premier of Ontario Minister of Health

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November 3, 2026

Sent via email premier@ontario.ca

The Honourable Doug Ford
Premier of Ontario
Legislative Building
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Toronto, ON M7A 1A1

Dear Premier Ford,

RE: Township of King Resolution – Establish a Comprehensive Provincial Micromobility Framework

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Please be advised, at its meeting on November 2, 2026, the Council of the Corporation of the Township of King adopted the following resolution:

Whereas electric bicycles (e-bikes), electric kick-scooters (e-scooters), seated electric scooters, hoverboards, enclosed mobility scooters, and other micromobility devices continue to grow in popularity across Ontario as alternative transportation options; and

Whereas given the impacts of climate change caused by GHG emissions and increasing traffic congestion, the Township of King would like to support the use of micromobility devices in a safe and responsible manner, recognizing their growing role as a sustainable transportation option for short-distance trips; and

Whereas municipalities are increasingly required to address the operation, safety, education, and enforcement of a wide range of micromobility devices that are not consistently addressed within existing provincial regulations; and

Whereas Ontario municipalities operate in significantly different environments, including urban areas with lower speed road networks and dedicated active transportation infrastructure, as well as rural areas with higher operating speeds, limited cycling infrastructure, and narrow road platforms; and

Whereas municipalities would benefit from provincial support for public education, safety initiatives, wayfinding and regulatory signage, infrastructure improvements, and data collection related to micromobility usage and safety outcomes;

Now therefore be it resolved that:

1. That the Province of Ontario be requested to establish a comprehensive provincial micromobility framework that addresses e-bikes, e-scooters, seated electric scooters, hoverboards, enclosed mobility scooters, and other emerging

micromobility devices, while preserving municipal authority to address local operating needs.
2. That any provincial framework recognize the distinct operating environments of both urban and rural municipalities and provide sufficient flexibility to address local conditions.
3. That the Province of Ontario provide funding and support for micromobility-related education, safety programs, signage, and infrastructure improvements, and enforcement initiatives, including municipal By-law enforcement and policing resources, to promote safe operation, improve compliance, and enhance the safety of all road users.
4. That the Province of Ontario enhance the collection and reporting of micromobility data, including collision, injury, usage, and safety trend information, to support evidence-based municipal decision-making.
5. A copy of this resolution be circulated to the Premier of Ontario, the Ontario Minister of Transportation, the Hon. Stephen Lecce, MPP for King-Vaughan, the Hon. Susan Lahey, MPP for York-Simcoe, the Regional Municipality of York, and all local York Region municipalities.

Carried Unanimously.

Yours sincerely,



Denny Timm
Township Clerk

cc. Hon. Prabmeet Singh Sarkaria, Minister of Transportation prabmeet.sarkaria@pc.ola.org
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November 4, 2026

The Honourable Michael S. Kerzner
Office of the Solicitor General
25 Grosvenor Street, 18th Floor
Toronto, ON
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RE: Request for Review of the OPP Municipal Policing Cost Model

Dear Minister Kerzner:

Please be advised that at the Regular Council Meeting on November 4th, 2026, Council for the Corporation of the Township of Brudenell, Lyndoch and Raglan passed the following resolution, supporting the resolution from the Township of McNab/Braeside.

Resolution No: 2026-11-04-09
Moved by: Councillor Keller
Seconded by: Councillor Quade

"Be it resolved that the Council for the Corporation of the Township of Brudenell, Lyndoch and Raglan support the Township of McNab/Braeside's resolution regarding the Request for Review of the OPP Municipal Policing Cost Model.

And further that this resolution be forwarded to MPP Billy Denault, Renfrew Nipissing Pembroke and All Ontario Municipalities.

Carried.

Sincerely,

Tammy Thompson

Tammy Thompson
Deputy Clerk
Township of Brudenell, Lyndoch and Raglan

TOWNSHIP OF
McNab/Braeside
Where nature awaits.

September 10, 2026

The Honourable Michael S. Kerzner
Office of the Solicitor General
25 Grosvenor Street, 18th Floor
Toronto, ON M7A 1Y6

Re: Request for Review of the OPP Municipal Policing Cost Model

Dear Minister Kerzner:

The Township of McNab/Braeside is writing to express its strong opposition to the current Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) municipal policing cost model and the significant cost increases being imposed on small rural municipalities. While the Province has limited the increase in OPP policing costs for 2027 to a maximum of 11 per cent, an increase of up to 11 per cent is not reasonable or sustainable for a small rural municipality. This level of increase places significant pressure on municipal budgets and local taxpayers, particularly at a time when communities are already facing substantial economic pressures.

The issue is not the importance of effective policing or the services provided by the OPP. The Township recognizes and values the OPP's role in keeping our community safe. Our concern is that the current funding model does not fairly reflect the financial realities and policing circumstances of small rural municipalities.

Municipalities with populations of 10,000 or less can have substantially different circumstances than larger urban communities, including smaller tax bases, larger geographic areas and different policing demands. These factors should be meaningfully reflected in how policing costs are allocated.

The Township therefore respectfully requests that the Province undertake a comprehensive review of the OPP municipal policing cost model and consider factors including population, geographic area, policing demand, calls for service and municipal financial capacity when determining municipal policing costs.

Small rural municipalities should not be expected to absorb increases of this magnitude under a funding model that does not adequately recognize the differences between rural and urban communities.

The Township urges the Province to re-evaluate the OPP municipal policing cost model and develop a more equitable, predictable and sustainable approach to policing costs for small rural municipalities.

The Township invites recipient municipalities to consider passing a resolution of support at an upcoming council meeting. Please forward any supporting motions to the Office of the Solicitor General to amplify this vital advocacy for rural communities.

Sincerely,

Mandy Cannon
CAO, Interim Clerk
Township of McNab/Braeside

cc:
MPP Billy Denault, Renfrew–Nipissing–Pembroke
All Ontario Municipalities

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November 5, 2026

SENT ELECTRONICALLY

Jackie Mellon
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Re: Request the Permanent Doubling of the Ontario Community Infrastructure Fund (OCIF) Beyond 2026

Please be advised that at its meeting of November 3, 2026, the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Wainfleet passed the following motion:

> "**THAT** Correspondence Item C237 from the Town of Deep River respecting a request to double the Ontario Community Infrastructure Fund be received and supported."

Should you have any questions, please contact me at achrastina@wainfleet.ca or 905-899-3463 ext. 224.

Regards,

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Clerk

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November 5, 2026

SENT ELECTRONICALLY

Lynsey Zufelt
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Re: Request for Endorsement - Declaration Against Religious Violence

Please be advised that at its meeting of November 3, 2026, the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Wainfleet passed the following motion:

> "**THAT** Correspondence Item C240 from the Town of Gananoque respecting a request for declaration against religious violence be received and supported."

Should you have any questions, please contact me at achrastina@wainfleet.ca or 905-899-3463 ext. 224.

Regards,

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Amber Chrastina
Clerk

Newmarket

OFFICE OF THE MAYOR
John Taylor

October 30, 2026

Sent to: ccouturier@crohnsandcolitis.ca
Dear Claire Couturier:

RE: Lighting Request – November 6, 2026 – Crohn's and Colitis Awareness Month

On behalf of the Town of Newmarket Council I am pleased to recognize Crohn's and Colitis Awareness Month by illuminating the Fred A. Lundy Bridge located on Water Street in red on November 6, 2026 from sunset until 11:00 PM.

Thank you for submitting your request and for your contributions to the community.

Yours sincerely,

John Taylor
Mayor

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October 30, 2026

Sent to: ccouturier@crohnsandcolitis.ca

Dear Claire Couturier:

RE: Lighting Request – November 6, 2026 – Crohn's and Colitis Awareness Month

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I am writing to advise that your lighting request has been approved in accordance with the Council-approved Proclamation, Lighting Request and Community Flag Raising Policy, and the Town of Newmarket will illuminate the Fred A. Lundy Bridge located on Water Street in red on November 6, 2026 to recognize Crohn's and Colitis Awareness Month. Please note that the lighting will occur from sunset until 11:00 PM.

If you have any questions regarding the above, please feel free to contact the undersigned.

Yours sincerely,

Emily Thomas-Hopkins

Legislative Coordinator

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October 30, 2026

Sent to: hilary@eczemahelp.ca

Dear Hilary Lawton:

RE: Lighting Request – November 9, 2026 – Eczema Awareness Month

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I am writing to advise that your lighting request has been approved in accordance with the Council-approved Proclamation, Lighting Request and Community Flag Raising Policy, and the Town of Newmarket will illuminate the Fred A. Lundy Bridge located on Water Street in blue on November 9, 2026 to recognize Eczema Awareness Month. Please note that the lighting will occur from sunset until 11:00 PM.

If you have any questions regarding the above, please feel free to contact the undersigned.

Yours sincerely,

Emily Thomas-Hopkins

Legislative Coordinator

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November 6, 2026

Sent to: info@cpbf-fbpc.org

Dear Sylvia Harnarain:

RE: Lighting Request – Canadian Premature Babies Foundation and World Prematurity Day

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I am writing to advise that your lighting request has been approved in accordance with the Council-approved Proclamation, Lighting Request and Community Flag Raising Policy, and the Town of Newmarket will illuminate the Fred A. Lundy Bridge on Water Street in purple on November 15, 2026 to recognize Canadian Premature Babies Foundation and World Prematurity Day. Please note that the lighting will occur from sunset until 11:00 PM. Approved proclamations, lighting requests, and community flag raisings will be listed on the Town's website. Approved lighting and community flag raisings will also be communicated to the public through the Town's social media.

If you have any questions regarding the above, please feel free to contact the undersigned.

Yours sincerely,

Simon Granat
Legislative Coordinator

Newmarket

OFFICE OF THE MAYOR
John Taylor

November 6, 2026

Sent to: info@cpbf-fbpc.org
Dear Sylvia Harnarain:

RE: Lighting Request – Canadian Premature Babies Foundation and World Prematurity Day

On behalf of the Town of Newmarket Council I am pleased to recognize Canadian Premature Babies Fondation and World Prematurity Day as November 15, 2026 by illuminating the Fred A. Lundy Bridge located on Water Street will in purple from sunset until 11:00 PM.

Thank you for submitting your request and for your contributions to the community.

Yours sincerely,

John Taylor
Mayor

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November 6, 2026

Sent to: gail@lawc.on.ca

Dear Gail McVicar

RE: Lighting Request – November 16, 2026 – Shine a Light on Woman Abuse

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I am writing to advise that your proclamation request has been approved in accordance with the Council-approved Proclamation, Lighting Request and Community Flag Raising Policy, and the Town of Newmarket will illuminate the Fred A. Lundy Bridge on Water Street in purple on November 16, 2026 to recognize Shine a Light on Woman Abuse. Please note that the lighting will occur from sunset until 11:00 PM. Approved proclamations, lighting requests, and community flag raisings will be listed on the Town's website. Approved lighting and community flag raisings will also be communicated to the public through the Town's social media.

If you have any questions regarding the above, please feel free to contact the undersigned.

Yours sincerely,

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November 6, 2026

Sent to: events@mygutfeeling.ca

Dear Stephanie Koenig:

RE: Lighting Request – November 30, 2026 – Stomach Cancer Awareness Day

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I am writing to advise that your lighting request has been approved in accordance with the Council-approved Proclamation, Lighting Request and Community Flag Raising Policy, and the Town of Newmarket will illuminate the Fred A. Lundy Bridge on Water Street in Blue on November 30, 2026 to recognize Stomach Cancer Awareness Day. Please note that the lighting will occur from sunset until 11:00 PM. Approved lighting and community flag raisings will also be communicated to the public through the Town's social media.

If you have any questions regarding the above, please feel free to contact the undersigned.

Yours sincerely,

Simon Granat
Legislative Coordinator