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**Subject:** UYSS Resolution

Good morning.

Please be advised that Council for the Town of Georgina passed the following motion concerning the Lake Simcoe Protection Act as it relates to the Upper York Sewage Solution Project;

**RESOLUTION NO. C-2020- 0375**

Moved By Regional Councillor Grossi  
Seconded By Councillor Neeson

WHEREAS the Town of Georgina includes fifty-two (52) kilometres of Lake Simcoe Shoreline;

AND WHEREAS the Region of York was directed by the Province of Ontario to find local solutions for wastewater in the communities of East Gwillimbury, Newmarket and Aurora to accommodate Provincially legislated growth targets;

AND WHEREAS the Lake Simcoe Protection Plan (Act) received unanimous, all party support in the Ontario Legislature in 2008, which prohibits any new sewage treatment plants on Lake Simcoe, however, does permit expansion and technology improvements to existing systems;

AND WHEREAS the Region of York has invested significant taxpayer dollars - including those of our local tax payers - in the proposed Upper York Sewage Solution (UYSS) to accommodate the above mentioned growth, at the request of the Province of Ontario;

AND WHEREAS expansion and technology upgrades are required among several Lake Simcoe Communities, including in the Town of Georgina, to similarly accommodate Provincially required growth and also to further ensure the current and future health of Lake Simcoe;

AND WHEREAS the Town of Georgina opens every meeting with a land acknowledgement whereby recognizing our close relationship with the Chippewas of Georgina Island who have voiced their opposition to the UYSS;

AND WHEREAS the Chippewas of Georgina Island have been on a boil water advisory and have not had access to safe drinking water since approximately 2017;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the Town of Georgina hereby requests that the Province of Ontario and the Government of Canada:

- 1) Cancel the Upper York Sewage Solution (UYSS)
- 2) Negotiate in good faith with the Region of York to accommodate the growth as mentioned above for our partner Municipalities to a non-Lake Simcoe discharge point as per the Lake Simcoe Protection Plan (Act).
- 3) Reimburse the previously made taxpayer investment from York Region Municipalities including the Town of Georgina with respect to the UYSS towards the new solution to a non-Lake Simcoe discharge point.
- 4) As a part of the above, also facilitate an end to the sewage lagoons in the Town of East Gwillimbury in consultation with their local council, staff and its residents
- 5) Be an active participant and joint funder of using the technology advancements that the Region of York has developed in order to upgrade or expand capacity on wastewater facilities for all Lake Simcoe communities to further improve to the health of Lake Simcoe
- 6) As a matter of the utmost importance, work in a collaborative fashion with the Chippewas of Georgina Island to provide resources whether financial or otherwise, to ensure that they have access to clean drinking water on a sustainable basis, without delay.
- 7) That copies of this motion be forwarded to all Lake Simcoe Municipalities, the Chippewas of Georgina Island, all York Region MPP's, all York Region MP's, Ontario Official Opposition Leader Andrea Horwath, Leader of the Ontario Liberals, Steven Del Duca, Leader of the Ontario Green Party, Mike Schreiner, Ontario Premier Doug Ford and the Prime Minister of Canada and the Right Hon. Justin Trudeau.

	<u>YEA</u>	<u>NAY</u>
Mayor Quirk	X	
Regional Councillor Grossi	X	
Councillor Waddington	X	
Councillor Fellini	X	
Councillor Neeson	X	
Councillor Sebo	X	
Councillor Harding	X	
<b>Results</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>0</b>

**Carried Unanimously.**

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,



**Carolyn Lance**

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