

MOTION



North Bay, ON February 28, 2023

Subject: Homelessness

File No.

Res. 2023-

Moved by Councillor: Horsfield

Seconded by Councillor: Gardiner

WHEREAS the homeless crisis is taking a devastating toll on families and communities, undermining a healthy and prosperous Ontario;

WHEREAS the homelessness crisis is the result of the underinvestment and poor policy choices of successive provincial governments;

WHEREAS homelessness requires a range of housing, social service and health solutions from government;

WHEREAS homelessness is felt most at the level of local government and the residents that they serve;

WHEREAS municipalities and District Social Administration Boards are doing their part, but do not have the resources, capacity or tools to address this complex challenge; and,

WHEREAS leadership and urgent action is needed from the provincial government on an emergency basis to develop, resource, and implement a comprehensive plan to prevent, reduce and ultimately end homelessness in Ontario.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the City of North Bay calls on the Provincial Government to urgently:

- Acknowledge that homelessness in Ontario is a social, economic, and health crisis;
- Commit to ending homelessness in Ontario;
- Work with the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO) and a broad range of community, health, Indigenous and economic partners to develop, resource, and implement an action plan to achieve this goal.

AND FURTHER THAT a copy of this motion be sent to the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing; the Minister of Children, Community and Social Services; the Minister of Health, the Association of Ontario (AMO) and the Federation of Northern Ontario Municipalities (FONOM).

Carried ☐

Carried as amended ☐

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Conflict _____
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Endorsement of

Yeas _____

Nays _____

Record of Vote (*Upon Request of Councillor* _____)

Signature of Clerk _____