

OFFICE OF THE MAYOR CITY OF HAMILTON

October 9, 2018

The Right Honourable Justin Trudeau Prime Minister of Canada House of Commons Ottawa, ON K1A 0A6

Dear Prime Minister Trudeau,

Re: NAFTA – Dairy Supply Management Program

At its meeting of September 26, 2018 City Council supported the attached resolution from the Township of Amaranth respecting the above matter.

Sincerely,

Mayor Fred Eisenberger

cc Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario

Honourable Chrystia Freeland, Minister of International Affairs

Honourable Ernie Hardeman, Minister of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs

Honourable Sylvia Jones, MPP, Dufferin - Caledon

Honourable David Tilson, MP, Dufferin – Caledon

Mr. Bill McCutcheon, Dufferin Federation of Agriculture

Mr. Gord Grant, Ontario Federation of Agriculture

Ms. Susan M. Stone, CAO/Clerk-Treasurer, Township of Amaranth

The Association of Municipalities of Ontario

Via E-mail - All Ontario Municipalities

File C18-018 (5.1)

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August 30, 2018

The Right Honourable Justin P.J. Trudeau Prime Minister of Canada House of Commons Ottawa ON K1A 0A6

Dear Prime Minister Trudeau,

Re: NAFTA – Dairy Supply Management Program

At the regular meeting of Council held August 29, 2018, the following resolution was carried:

Moved by H. Foster - Seconded by C. Gerrits

Be it Resolved That:

WHEREAS it appears that Mexico and the U.S.A have come to an agreement on trade terms and now intense scrutiny is on Canada as our negotiators attempt to come to an agreement as well, and our Dairy Management system is once more front and centre in the news;

WHEREAS supply management means that our Canadian dairy farms produce enough milk for Canadians and Canada allows 10% import of tariff free dairy products and the U.S.A caps tariff free imports at about 2.75%, so the U.S.A also protects their dairy industry;

WHEREAS we want our dairy products to continue to be produced on Canadian farms, under the strictest animal welfare, milk quality and food safety standards in the world:

NOW THEREFORE the Township of Amaranth, as a predominantly farming community, urge the Federal Government to not allow a foreign party to interfere with our Dairy Management System and that it be removed from all North American Free Trade Agreement (NAFTA) negotiations;

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AND FURTHER THAT this resolution be sent to the Prime Minister, Dufferin-Caledon, MP and MPP, the Association of Municipalities of Ontario, Minister of International Affairs, Premier of Ontario, Ontario Ministry of Agriculture Food and Rural Affairs, Dufferin Federation of Agriculture, Ontario Federation Agriculture and all municipal councils within Ontario.

Should you require anything further please do not hesitate to contact this office.

Yours truly,

Susan M. Stone, A.M.C.T.

CAO/Clerk-Treasurer

Township of Amaranth

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