May 29, 2019

The Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario
Legislative Building
Queen’s Park
Toronto, ON M7A 1A1

Dear Mr. Ford:


Please be advised that the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Orangeville, at its Regular Council Meeting held on May 27, 2019 approved the following Resolution:


Whereas changes to the Conservation Authorities Act may result in increases to municipal tax levies and/or a reduction in the level of service of Conservation Authorities across the Province; and

Whereas the protection of endangered species should not be “suspended” or “delayed”; and

Whereas the legislation that abolished the Ontario Municipal Board (OMB) and replaced it with the Local Planning Appeal Tribunal (LPAT) received unanimous all-party support; and

Whereas all parties recognized that: local governments should have the authority to uphold their provincially-approved Official Plans; communities
should have a stronger voice in land use planning; and local planning decisions need greater certainty; and

Whereas Bill 108 will once again allow an unelected, unaccountable body make to decisions on how our communities evolve and grow;

Now therefore be it hereby resolved that the Council of the Town of Orangeville oppose Bill 108 which in its current state will have negative consequences on community building, proper planning, and the overall health of our ecosystem; and

Be it further resolved that the Council of the Town of Orangeville call upon the Government of Ontario to halt the legislative advancement of Bill 108 to enable fulsome consultation with Municipalities to ensure that its objectives for sound decision making for housing growth that meets local needs will be reasonably achieved; and

Be it further resolved that a copy of this motion be sent to The Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario, The Honourable Christine Elliott, Deputy Premier, the Honourable Steve Clark, Minister of Municipal Affairs, The Honourable Andrea Horwath, Leader of the New Democratic Party, and all MPPs in the Province of Ontario; and

Be it further resolved that a copy of this motion be sent to the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO) and all Ontario municipalities for their consideration.

Carried Unanimously.