

November 12, 2019

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Attention: Jennifer Astrologo, Director of Corporate Services/Clerk

Re: Local Health Care Services – Motion of Support

The Council of the Municipality of North Middlesex received your letter and considered support at their last regular meeting on November 6, 2019. As a result the following motion was passed:

"MOTION #276/2019

CORNELISSEN/MCLINCHEY: *Be it resolved that the Council of the Municipality of North Middlesex hereby supports the motion from the Town of Kingsville as follows:*

"Whereas public health care consistently ranks as the top priority in public opinion polls, and;

Whereas Public Health provides vital health promotion and prevention services based on the unique demographic and economic, social and cultural needs of our communities; and

Whereas the evidence from hospital amalgamation in Ontario and across Canada is that they have cost billions of dollars and have not yielded the promised administrative savings but have taken money away from frontline care, and;

Whereas there is no evidence to support the proposed closure of 25 out of 35 local public health units, the closure of 12 of 22 local ambulance dispatch centres and the closure of 49 out of 59 local ambulance services, and;

Whereas there is a deep consensus among virtually all stakeholders that increasing acuity in our long term care homes requires additional staff and resources, not cancellation of the two special funds and real dollar cuts to per diem funding of our long term care homes; and

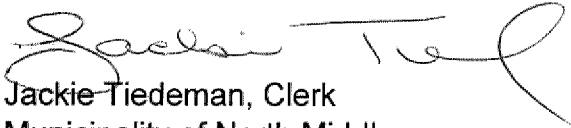
Whereas our local hospitals have been downsized for an entire generation and cannot meet population needs while sustaining real dollar cuts to hospital global budgets.

Therefore be it resolved that the Corporation of the Town of Kingsville calls upon the Ontario government to halt the closures of, mergers of, and cuts to our local health care services including Public Health Units, land ambulance services, hospitals and long term care homes and Town of Kingsville forward this resolution to all municipalities in the Province of Ontario

CARRIED"

On behalf of Council thank you for the opportunity to support such an important matter affecting all municipalities.

Yours truly,



Jackie Tiedeman, Clerk
Municipality of North Middlesex