

January 22, 2021

Via Email: MEDJCT.Minister@ontario.ca

Honourable Victor Fedeli, Minister Ministry of Economic Development, Job Creation and Trade 18th Floor 777 Bay St. Toronto, ON M7A 1S5

Dear Minister Fedeli:

Re: Request to Support Small Businesses

At the regular meeting on January 19, 2021, Council for the City of Temiskaming Shores adopted the enclosed resolution regarding support for small businesses.

Please accept this correspondence for your information and consideration.

Sincerely,

Logan Belanger Municipal Clerk

lbelanger@temiskamingshores.ca

**Enclosure** 

C.c.

Hon. Prabmeet Sarkaria, Associate Minister of Small Business and Red Tape Reduction

Hon. Christine Elliott, Minister of Health

Hon. Peter Bethlenfalvy, Minister of Finance

Hon. Michael Tibollo, Associate Minister of Mental Health and Addictions

John Vanthof, MPP for Timiskaming-Cochrane

Temiskaming Health Unit Board of Health

Town of Kingsville



## The Corporation of the City of Temiskaming Shores Regular Meeting of Council Tuesday, January 19, 2021

## Resolution

## Support – Town of Kingsville Request to Support Small Businesses

Resolution No. 2021-024

Moved by: Councillor Jelly Seconded by: Councillor Whalen

Whereas at its meeting of December 14, 2020, Town of Kingsville Council approved a resolution in support of small businesses during COVID-19; and

Whereas the health and safety of Ontarians is the number one priority and health is a state of physical, mental and social well-being, not merely the absence of disease; and

Whereas many businesses rely on the holiday season for their financial strength and whereby these businesses have faced unprecedented difficult times throughout 2020 due to the COVID-19 pandemic restrictions; and

Whereas closing our small local businesses during the holiday season means many will not survive and business owners and their employees will lose their livelihoods; and

Whereas the Town of Kingsville's commercial businesses are predominately made up of small independently owned businesses and closing them will force residents to travel out of town into larger crowds increasing their exposure to COVID-19; and

Whereas our small independent businesses have every reason to keep customers safe and are able to ensure limited capacity, customer contact tracing and disinfecting inbetween customers and may be able to offer curb-side and delivery.

Now therefore be it resolved that Council for the City of Temiskaming Shores hereby supports the Town of Kingsville's call upon the Premier of Ontario, Doug Ford, as well as the Ontario cabinet and Health officials, to protect the health of Ontarians and our small businesses by allowing them to remain open to in-store sales and service with limited capacity and increased safety measures; and

Further that this resolution be forwarded to the Hon. Victor Fedeli, Minister of Economic Development, Job Creation and Trade; Hon Prabmeet Singh Sarkaria, Associate Minister of Small Business and Red Tape Reduction; Hon. Christine Elliott, Minister of

Health; Hon. Peter Bethlenfalvy, Minister of Finance; Hon. Michael A. Tibollo, Associate Minister of Mental Health and Addictions; John Vanthof, MPP for Timiskaming-Cochrane; the Temiskaming Health Unit Board of Health; and the Town of Kingsville.

Carried

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Logan Belanger Municipal Clerk