

## Notice of Motion

### Recognizing the Importance of the Automotive Sector in \_\_\_\_\_

Moved by Mayor xxxxxx  
Seconded by Councillor xxxxxx

WHEREAS, the auto sector directly employs over 101,000 people in Ontario, and indirectly supports the creation of more than 300,000 good jobs in communities nationwide; and

WHEREAS, the automotive industry represents Canada's largest manufacturing sector, Ontario's chief export and the economic lifeblood of hundreds of Canadian communities; and

WHEREAS, a thriving auto sector is an essential part of \_\_\_\_\_'s local economy, stimulating growth, innovation, and good, high-paying jobs; and

WHEREAS, the Windsor-Essex Region is Canada's automotive "epicentre", employing over 18,000 workers, including home to FCA Canada's Windsor Assembly Plant, the country's single-biggest manufacturing facility by employment; and

WHEREAS, Canada's auto sector has been deeply integrated with that of the United States since the early-20<sup>th</sup> century, as indicated by the 1965 Canada-US Auto Pact; and

WHEREAS, the North American Free Trade Agreement governs nearly every aspect of Canada and the United States' economic relationship, including the import and export of auto parts and vehicles; and

WHEREAS, even minor changes to the established trade relationship between Canada and the United States could have enormous consequences for workers and consumers on both sides of the border; and

WHEREAS, in 2016 the government of Ontario and Michigan signed a Memorandum of Understanding calling for increased cooperation and partnership between their two automotive sectors; and

WHEREAS, Canada's economic future and the continued wellbeing of \_\_\_\_\_'s local economy depend on a thriving automotive sector;

THEREFORE, be it resolved, Council:

1. Join with Councils across Ontario in calling on the federal government to recognize Canada's automotive sector as a key priority throughout the NAFTA negotiations.