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December 20, 2023

Via email:

Alexander Harras Regional Clerk The Regional Municipality of Durham clerks@durham.ca

Re: Correspondence # 2023-618 received from A. Harras, Regional Clerk, Region of Durham, regarding Durham Region's response to the proposed Affordable Homes and Good Jobs Act (Bill 134)

Please be advised that at its meeting held on December 18, 2023, the Council of the Town of Whitby adopted the following as Resolution # 226-23:

- That Correspondence # 2023-618 from A. Harras, Regional Clerk, Region of Durham regarding Durham Region's response to the proposed Affordable Homes and Good Jobs Act (Bill 134) be endorsed by Council; and,
- That a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Region of Durham, area municipalities in Durham Region, Members of Provincial Parliament in Durham Region, the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, and the Associate Minister of Housing.

Should you require further information, please do not hesitate to contact the Office of the Town Clerk at 905-430-4315.

Kévin Narraway

Sr. Manager of Legislative Services/Deputy Clerk

Att: Correspondence # 2023-618 received from A. Harras, Regional Clerk, Region of Durham, regarding Durham Region's response to the proposed Affordable Homes and Good Jobs Act (Bill 134)

Copy: R. Saunders, Commissioner of Planning and Development – saundersr@whitby.ca

C. Harris, Town Clerk – Town of Whitby – clerk@whitby.ca

Honourable Paul Calandra, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing - minister.mah@ontario.ca

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Alexander Harras M.P.A. Director of Legislative Services & Regional Clerk November 29, 2023

Chris Harris
Municipal Clerk
Town of Whitby
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clerk@whitby.ca

Dear Chris:

RE: Durham Region's response to the proposed Affordable Homes and Good Jobs Act (Bill 134) (2023-F-30), Our File: D06

Council of the Region of Durham, at its meeting held on November 29, 2023, adopted the following recommendations of the Finance & Administration Committee:

- A) That Report #2023-F-30 of the Commissioner of Finance be endorsed as Durham Region's response to the Environmental Registry of Ontario (ERO) posting regarding the proposed Affordable Homes and Good Jobs Act, 2023 with the following key comments and recommendations that the Province:
 - refine the definition of "affordable residential unit" to consider affordability across various unit types (i.e., single-detached, semi-detached, townhomes, and apartments by number of bedrooms);
 - ii. update the definition of "affordable residential unit" to ensure that affordable residential units are only available to households that meet and maintain certain income thresholds:
 - iii. allow municipalities to structure the affordable residential unit exemption to address timing of when DCs are collected relative to when the final purchase price or rental rate is known; and
 - iv. make municipalities whole by fully funding the shortfalls created by the affordable residential unit exemption to avoid transferring the cost of this

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exemption to the existing property tax, and water and sewer user rate base.

B) That a copy of Report #2023-F-30 of the Commissioner of Finance and Council resolution be sent to all area municipalities in Durham Region and Durham members of Provincial Parliament (MPPs).

Please find enclosed a copy of Report #2023-F-30 for your information.

Alexander Harras

Alexander Harras, Director of Legislative Services & Regional Clerk

AH/sr

c: N. Taylor, Commissioner of Finance