



July 21, 2020

Honourable Doug Ford  
Premier of Ontario  
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Email – [premier@ontario.ca](mailto:premier@ontario.ca)

Re: Support Resolution – Long Term Care Home Improvements

Dear Premier Ford,

At its Regular Council Meeting dated July 6, 2020, Town of Essex Council reviewed the attached resolution from the City of Sarnia with respect to the conditions in Long Term Care homes that have been exposed by the pandemic. As a result of their discussion, the following resolution was passed:

“Moved By Deputy Mayor Meloche

Seconded By Councillor Bowman

That the correspondence from the City of Sarnia, dated June 24, 2020 requesting that the Town of Essex consider urging Premier Ford to start implementing the require resolution to the problems that have been identified at our Long Term Care Homes, be received and supported;

That a letter of support be sent to the Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario requesting that the Province begin implementing the changes immediately; and

That a copy of the resolution be sent to Taras Natyshak, MPP, Chris Lewis, MP Essex and the City of Sarnia. Carried”



On behalf of Town of Essex Council we endorse the City of Sarnia's resolution and respectfully ask that consideration be given to this request. If you have any questions or comments regarding this matter, please feel free to contact the undersigned.

Yours truly,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Robert Auger".

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June 24, 2020

To: All Ontario Municipalities

**Re: Long Term Care Home Improvements**

At its meeting held on June 22, 2020, Sarnia City Council adopted the following resolution submitted by Councillor Margaret Bird with respect to the conditions in Long Term Care homes exposed by the pandemic:

***That due to the deplorable conditions exposed by the pandemic in LTC homes in the province, and because this is a time for action, not just continuous streams of investigations, commissions and committees, and because the problems have been clearly identified, that Sarnia City Council direct staff to send this motion to the 444 Ontario Municipalities, asking them to urge Premier Ford to start implementing the required resolutions immediately, as follows:***

- 1. increasing hours for all part-time and casual labour***
- 2. since the government provides funding for privately-operated homes, they have an obligation to inspect these homes and see that they are being properly run, and that funds are being used for the benefit of the residents and not the huge profitability of the operators, and***
- 3. to end the neglect and unacceptable conditions being experienced, each day, by our vulnerable seniors.***

Sarnia City Council respectfully seeks your endorsement of this resolution. If your municipal council endorses this resolution, we would request that a copy of the resolution be forwarded to the following:

Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario; and

City of Sarnia, City Clerk's Office  
[clerks@sarnia.ca](mailto:clerks@sarnia.ca)

Sincerely,



Dianne Gould-Brown  
City Clerk

cc: AMO