



August 10, 2022

TO: **The Right Honourable Justin Trudeau, P.C., M.P.**
Prime Minister of Canada
Office of the Prime Minister
80 Wellington Street, Ottawa, ON K1A 0A2
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Re: Request for the Federal Government to Lower the Gasoline Tax Rate

At its Regular Council Meeting held on July 4, 2022, Town of Essex Council discussed the substantial increase of gasoline prices and the significant financial impacts that these increased gasoline prices are having on residents. Council further discussed that on July 1, 2022, the Province of Ontario decreased the gasoline tax rate on unleaded gas and the fuel tax rate on clear diesel, clear kerosene and biodiesel. Accordingly, Council discussed calling upon the Federal Government to provide a financial break to all residents by taking similar measures to match the gas tax decreases that the Province of Ontario enacted.

As a result of that review Council passed the following resolution:

R22-07-399

Moved by: Councillor Bondy

Seconded by: Deputy Mayor Bjorkman

That Essex Council send a letter to the Federal Government to share concerns of behalf of residents with the increase in the price of gasoline and request that the Federal Government match the decrease that the Provincial Government enacted.

Carried



I trust you will find this satisfactory. If you have any questions or comments please feel free to contact the undersigned.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be "R. Auger", written in a cursive style.

Yours truly,

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