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February 14, 2023

**Honourable Steven Lecce, Minister of Education**

Ministry of Education  
315 Front Street West, 14<sup>th</sup> Floor  
Toronto, ON M7A 0B8

RE: Ontario School Board Elections

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Dear Minister Lecce,

At its Regular Meeting on February 6, 2023, Council received correspondence from the Town of Petrolia regarding School Board Elections in Ontario. Through discussion, Council determined that organizing, hosting, and promoting School Board Elections requires an extensive use of municipal resources and co-ordination. It was further discussed that the act of conducting School Board Elections, without compensation or re-imburement, places a significant financial burden on municipalities.

As a result of that discussion, Council passed the following resolution:

**R23-02-034**

Moved by: Deputy Mayor Shepley

Seconded by: Councillor Allard

**That** the correspondence dated January 23, 2023 from the Town of Petrolia regarding School Board Elections be received and supported; and

**That** a letter of support be sent to the Town of Petrolia, the Honourable Steven Lecce, Minister of Education, MPP Anthony Leardi, the County of Essex and all other municipalities.

**Carried**

Yours truly,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Shelley Brown".

**Shelley Brown**

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