

The Corporation of the Town of Essex

By-Law Number 1266

Being a by-law to provide for Retail Business

Establishments to be open on certain

holidays in the Town of Essex

Whereas Section 4 of the Retail Business Holidays Act, R.S.O. 1990, Chapter R.30 as amended, provides that the Council of a municipality may by by-law permit retail business establishments in the municipality to be open on holidays for the maintenance or development of tourism;

And Whereas Council of the Town of Essex has requested that a by-law be drafted permitting retail business establishments to remain open on certain holidays in the Town of Essex;

And Whereas the tourism criteria established by the Retail Business Holidays Act, Ontario Regulation 711/91 have been met;

And Whereas it is deemed essential for the maintenance and development of tourism in the Town of Essex to permit retail businesses to open on certain holidays;

And Whereas the Council of the Town of Essex have designated the Town of Essex a tourism area necessary for the maintenance or development of tourism of its natural, outdoor, recreational, historical, cultural, multicultural and educational attractions;

And Whereas a public meeting in respect of the passing of this by-law was held November 18, 2013;

And Whereas the Council of the Town of Essex has taken into account the principle that holidays should be maintained as common pause days;

Now therefore the Council of The Corporation of the Town of Essex hereby enacts as follows:

1. That in this by-law:

- **“Retail Business”** means the selling or offering for sale of goods or services by retail.
- **“Retail Business Establishment”** means the premises where retail business is carried on.

2. That Retail Business Establishments in the Town of Essex are hereby granted an exemption to the Retail Business Holidays Act, R.S.O. 1990, Chapter R.30 as amended and may remain open on the following eight holidays: New Year's Day, Family Day, Good Friday, Easter Monday, Victoria Day, Canada Day, Labour Day and Thanksgiving Day, between the hours from 9:00 AM to 6:00 PM.
3. That this by-law shall come into full force and effect in accordance with Section 4(8) of the Retail Business Holidays Act, R.S.O. 1990, Chapter R.30 as amended, on December 19, 2013, being the thirty-first day after the date upon which it is finally passed.

Read a first, a second and a third time and finally passed this 18th day of November, 2013.

Mayor

Clerk