

## Resolution

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**Moved by**                      Councillor Parrish  
**Seconded by**                      Councillor Ras

Whereas the provincial government has announced an amended distribution process for COVID-19 vaccines that deviates from one based heavily on age, to one that includes a variety of other significant factors;

And whereas, the COVID-19 virus has devastated populations world wide, causing a particularly deep and prolonged lockdown in the Region of Peel;

And whereas, 66 per cent of Ontario's heavy outbreaks are in larger workplaces with 80 per cent being in Peel's heavy concentration of essential employment sectors such as warehousing, manufacturing, distribution and food packaging;

And whereas, the workforce in these employment centres are often more precariously employed, vulnerable hourly workers with no sick day protection;

And whereas, these more vulnerable employees work shoulder to shoulder, under conditions that make their places of work conducive to spreading COVID-19 which they then take home to their families, facilitating continuous spread;

And whereas, the last census completed in 2016 identified 306,100 Peel residents are employed in warehousing, manufacturing, distribution and packaging;

Therefore be it resolved, that the City of Mississauga and Region of Peel Councils request the support of the Medical Officer of Health, Dr. Lawrence Loh, to request the Ontario Government prioritize the early vaccination of all those Peel residents employed under conditions that make their places of work conducive to the spread of COVID;

And further, that vulnerable employees in heavily infected Peel zones be vaccinated at their places of work such as warehouses, manufacturing facilities, packaging and distribution centres to more efficiently and effectively slow the spread of COVID-19 in these "hot spots";

And further that this request be shared with the Premier, the Provincial Minister of Health, Peel Members of Provincial Parliament and the local municipal Councils of the Town of Caledon and the city of Brampton.

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Regional Chair