

Allan Thompson Mayor

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RE: LOOKING FORWARD – JOINT RELATIONSHIP

Chief, it was a pleasure to host our first joint Council to Council meeting with you and members of our respective Councils. Last week's meeting identified the importance of awareness, understanding, education and action to support the inclusion of indigenous peoples and respect for the natural features of our community.

I am pleased to advise that collectively we were able to adopt the following motion to help shape and guide our work together.

The resolution reads as follows:

Whereas Indigenous Peoples have unique and enduring relationships with the land that they lived on and cared for throughout the ages;

Whereas we acknowledge the significance of the land which we gather and call home:

Whereas this land is part of the Treaty and Traditional lands of the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation;

Now therefore be it resolved that the Town of Caledon has a desire to strengthen its relationship with the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation community, a relationship that also reflects our children, and to develop a greater understanding of the importance of the preservation and importance of the Traditional lands;

That the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation be collaborated with to ensure their perspective and insights are incorporated in the Town's Official Plan Review, the Aggregate Rehabilitation Plan and policies, the Town's Climate Change Action Plan and a review of the Parkland Dedication By-law;

That we continue to stay connected and work closely together to protect the land and water, and all its natural features and significance for generations yet to come;



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That this motion be shared with the full Council of the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation for endorsement and support; and

That this motion be shared with Kyle Seeback, MP Dufferin-Caledon, the Honourable Sylvia Jones, MPP Dufferin-Caledon, the Region of Peel, the Toronto Region Conservation Authority, the Credit Valley Conservation Authority, the Nottawasaga Valley Conservation Authority, and the Niagara Escarpment Commission.

Chief LaForme, thank you for your friendship and for educating us on the importance of our indigenous heritage. The Town of Caledon is appreciative of this relationship and the great things we will be able to do as a collective, "individually, we are one drop, together, we are an ocean".

Sincerely,

Allan Thompson

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