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On behalf of the Golden Horseshoe Food and Farming Alliance, we would like to congratulate the members of council who were re-elected and those who have been newly elected. We know that this is the time for Council appointments to be made to a variety of committees and Commissions.

The Golden Horseshoe Food and Farming Alliance is a collection of representatives from municipalities, farming, food processing, the Greenbelt, Conservation Authorities, post - secondary institutions and research. The Alliance is charged with the implementation of the Golden Horseshoe Food and Farming Action Plan 2021, a plan to ensure the vibrancy and growth of food and farming in the Golden Horseshoe. www.foodandfarming.ca.

During our last meeting of the Alliance, a motion was passed by the Alliance to contact municipalities throughout the Golden Horseshoe and ask that they give some consideration to having individuals with agricultural experience or expertise as their representatives to Conservation Authorities. Decisions made by Conservation Authorities can have significant impact on the lands farmed in the watersheds and it is preferable to have some of the people directly affected by those decisions sitting at the board table.

As your council selects or nominates members for various committees, including Conservation Authorities, we would respectfully ask that you give consideration to our request.

Should you have any questions or comments, please contact me at the contact numbers or information below.

Sincerely,

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