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February 9, 2017

Ralph Walton  
Regional Clerk  
Region Municipality of Niagara  
1815 Sir Isaac Brock Way  
PO Box 1042  
Thorold ON L2V 4T7

Dear Mr. Walton:

**REQUEST TO AMEND PROCESS FOR APPOINTMENTS TO NIAGARA PENINSULA  
CONSERVATION AUTHORITY BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

At their regular meeting of February 6th, 2017, Council of the Town of Pelham endorsed the following:

**WHEREAS** the Niagara Peninsula Conservation Authority (NPCA) is a Provincial agency operating in the Region of Niagara, Haldimand County and the City of Hamilton, funded largely by the Region of Niagara; and

**WHEREAS** the Town of Pelham is a contributor of public funds to the Region of Niagara, and, therefore, a contributor to the NPCA's funding; and

**WHEREAS** the people of the Town of Pelham, together with all municipalities represented on the NPCA deserve openness and accountability relating to how their tax dollars are being spent, how effectively our natural environment is being protected, and how representatives to the NPCA Board are appointed; and

**WHEREAS** currently, eleven of the thirteen Members of the NPCA Board are municipal politicians who may not have the necessary conservation and environmental expertise suited to effectively serve on this Board; and

**WHEREAS** for the City of Hamilton, it has been the practice of their city council to appoint citizen representatives to the NPCA Board, thus highlighting the importance of the ability to provide appropriate knowledge, experience and expertise to the Board and establishing a precedent to support citizen appointment to the NPCA; and

**WHEREAS** the past practice of the Niagara Regional Council has been to offer a single appointment from each of the twelve local municipalities by: firstly, offering appointment to the Regional Councillor(s) or Mayor of the local municipality; and, secondly by a

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process that defaults to the local municipal council; and then finally, to citizen representation; and

WHEREAS the Council for the Town of Pelham supports a formal appointment protocol that allows the local municipalities to seek applications for appointment to the NPCA and that a recommendation for appointment then be subsequently provided to the Region by the local municipalities;

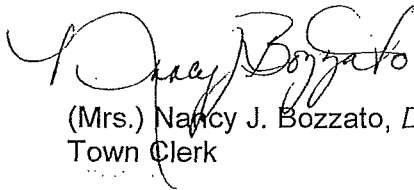
NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council for the Town of Pelham respectfully requests that the Council of the Regional Municipality of Niagara amend the process for appointments to the NPCA to permit local municipalities to publicly advertise and make recommendations for appointment of a qualified and independent citizen to represent their respective municipalities, to take effect following the 2018 municipal election, or immediately should a vacancy on the NPCA Board of Directors occur; and

THAT a copy of this Resolution be forwarded to: Premier Kathleen Wynne; Minister of Natural Resources and Forestry, Kathryn McGarry; the Auditor General of Ontario; the NPCA Board of Directors; Niagara MPPs for information; and

THAT a copy of this Resolution be also forwarded to the City of Hamilton, Haldimand County and Niagara Local Area Municipalities for endorsement and support.

On behalf of Council, thank you for your attention to this important matter and we look forward to your response.

Yours very truly,



(Mrs.) Nancy J. Bozzato, *Dipl.M.M., AMCT*  
Town Clerk

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Cc: Premier Kathleen Wynne  
Kathryn McGarry, Minister of Natural Resources and Forestry  
Auditor General of Ontario  
NPCA Board of Directors  
Niagara MPPs  
City of Hamilton  
Haldimand County  
Niagara Local Area Municipalities

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Agenda Number: 15.0  
 Title: Motions and Notices of Motion  
 Date: Monday, February 6, 2017

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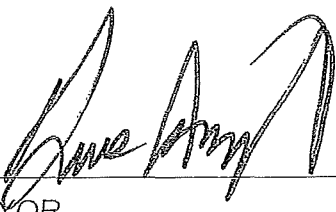

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