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September 19, 2011

The Association of Municipalities of Ontario
Attention: Ms. Pat Vanini, Executive Director
200 University Avenue, Suite 801
Toronto, Ontario M5H 3C6

Dear Ms. Vanini:

Re: Publically Owned Water Treatment Facilities

At its September 12, 2011 Council meeting, the Township of Tiny Council passed the attached resolution opposing the privatization of water treatment services, including through public-private partnerships or P3s, preferring to retain these services in the public domain.

We respectfully request that this resolution be circulated to all AMO members for their information and consideration.

Sincerely,

THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF TINY

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read 'Anita Weatherell'.

Anita Weatherell, Deputy Clerk

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c.c. Mayor and Members of Council
Doug Luker, CAO/Clerk

Motion #: 578 / 11



**THE CORPORATION OF THE
TOWNSHIP OF TINY**

Meeting Date: September 12, 2011

Moved by:

Carried:

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Seconded by:

Defeated:

Signed:

WHEREAS the Corporation of the Township of Tiny is in receipt of correspondence dated July 15, 2011, from Marianne Else, Simcoe Region Chapter of the Council of Canadians, requesting Council's consideration of Tiny becoming a Blue Community; and

WHEREAS public health depends on equitable access to clean water supplies; and

WHEREAS public ownership and operation of drinking water systems have improved access and quality over the past century; and

WHEREAS our community is committed to protecting water from the consequences of privatization through "public-private partnerships" or P3s, including:

- Lack of transparency and accountability to the public
- Increased costs and higher user fees
- Projects being delayed and cancelled leaving governments to deal with the consequences; and

WHEREAS the privatization of municipal water services through P3s or contracting out turns water into a commodity to be sold for profit;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Township of Tiny opposes privatization of water treatment services, including through P3s, preferring to retain these services in the public domain; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Council continue to lobby the Federal and Provincial governments to fulfill their responsibilities to support municipal infrastructure by investing in a national water infrastructure fund that would address the growing need to renew existing water infrastructure and build new systems; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Council forward this resolution to the Association of Municipalities of Ontario and to the Federation of Canadian Municipalities for circulation to all of its members.