February 5, 2018

Honourable Peter Milczyn, MPP
Minister of Housing
17th Floor - 777 Bay Street
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Dear Sir

Re: Ontario Building Code Amendments

At their meeting held Tuesday January 30, 2018 the Council of the Township of Norwich passed the following resolution:

“… Whereas the Preface and Introduction to the Ontario Building Code Compendium reads such that the Code is meant to be; “essentially a set of minimum provisions respecting the safety of buildings with reference to public health, fire protection, accessibility, and structurally sufficiency,

And Whereas the Ministry of Housing has for a number of years and continues to make significant changes to the scope of the Ontario Building Code to include provincial policy initiatives such as Environmental Protection, Resource Conservation, and Energy Conservation,

And Whereas these expanded roles in the Code have had significant impacts on local municipal Building Departments for additional training, staffing, and other resources required to implement such initiatives,

Therefore be it resolved that the Township of Norwich hereby requests that the Province ensure that the intent of the legislation and regulations relative to the Ontario Building Code continues to be principally for the protection of the public, and occupant health and safety in relation to the built environment, and examine other avenues for implementation of other initiatives.”

If you require further information with respect to the above noted matter, please contact the undersigned.
Sincerely

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