

**CITY OF HAMILTON  
NOTICE OF MOTION**

**Audit Finance & Administration: July 11, 2019**

**MOVED BY COUNCILLOR C. COLLINS .....**  
**SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR .....**

**Invocation of the Residential Municipal Relief Assistance Program 2019**

WHEREAS the City of Hamilton invoked the Residential Relief Assistance Program for basement flooding from record Lake Ontario water levels in 2017,

WHEREAS the 2019 Lake Ontario level surpassed the 2017 levels impacting municipal infrastructure and private properties in the Beach Neighbourhood,

WHEREAS the Beach Boulevard Community has been identified as particularly vulnerable to rising lake levels given its low lying elevation;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED

- (a) That for the purpose of invoking the Residential Municipal Relief Assistance Program for basement flooding, City Council declare a disaster for the record lake levels of 2019 for all affected properties within the Beach Community;
- (b) That payment of claims be based on compassionate grounds only and not to be construed as an admission of liability on the part of the City of Hamilton;
- (c) That the eligibility criteria for the Residential Municipal Disaster Relief Assistance Program as previously approved in Report FCS06007 respecting the Proposed Residential Municipal Disaster Relief Assistance Program for Basement Flooding be applied;
- (d) That the costs associated with these claims be funded from the Storm Sewer Reserve 108010; and
- (e) That staff be authorized, if required, to retain an independent adjuster for the administration of claims under the Residential Municipal Disaster Relief Assistance Program and that these administrative costs be funded from the Storm Sewer Reserve 108010.