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Dear Municipal Colleagues:

This is to advise that City Council, at a meeting held on August 26, 2019, passed the following resolution regarding producer requirements for packaging in Ontario:

“WHEREAS the Province of Ontario, through the Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks, has posted a discussion paper entitled “Reducing Litter and Waste in our Communities”; and,

WHEREAS producer responsibility has not been adequately addressed by the Province of Ontario; and,

WHEREAS a successful deposit/return program for single use plastic, aluminum and metal drink containers has been in existence in other Provinces in Canada including Newfoundland, Nova Scotia and British Columbia; and,

WHEREAS these successful programs have eliminated many of these containers from the natural environment; and,

WHEREAS the City of Kitchener is committed to climate action and understanding our role as a municipality in a globalized world and the need to be prepared for the effects of climate change; and,

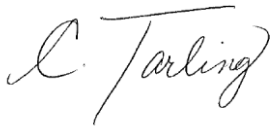
WHEREAS the City of Kitchener has declared a climate emergency with the directive to provide continued support to corporate and community climate action;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the City of Kitchener call upon the Province of Ontario, through the discussion paper entitled “Reducing Litter and Waste in our Communities”, to review and implement a deposit/return program for recycled plastics, aluminum and metal drink containers; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Province of Ontario be requested to review producer requirements and look for extended producer responsibility for all packaging; and,

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that this resolution be forwarded to the Honourable Premier of Ontario; the Minister of the Environment, Conservation and Parks; the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing; the Local Members of Provincial Parliament; the Association of Municipalities of Ontario; the Region of Waterloo and all Municipalities within the Province of Ontario.”

Yours truly,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read 'C. Tarling'.

C. Tarling
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