

December 9, 2020

Honourable Christine Elliott Minister of Health 5th Floor - 777 Bay St. Toronto, ON M7A 2J3

Sent via email: christine.elliott@pc.ola.org

Re: Hospice Workers Our File 10.57.99

Honourable Minister,

At its meeting held on November 30, 2020, St. Catharines City Council approved the following motion:

"WHEREAS Hospice Niagara, and hospices across this province, provide a number of critical services needed by Ontario and Niagara residents including: end of life Hospice Residence care; in-Home Palliative Care; Day Hospice; Bereavement Support; and Education and Consultation; and

WHEREAS these services provide a central role in decreasing hospital emergency department volume, incidents of hallway medicine and costly hospital admissions for palliative and end-of-life care; and

WHEREAS Hospice care is the only health service whose health care workers are not fully funded by the Province and hospices and provincial organizations have requested that this funding be provided as delegations before the Standing Committee regarding Bill 3, the Compassionate Care Act;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the City of St. Catharines recommends that Ontario's Health Ministry accept Hospice Niagara's request and start fully funding all hospice health care workers fully, and right away; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this motion be forwarded directly to the Minister of Health Christine Elliot, all Niagara MPPs, the Region of Niagara and all Niagara municipalities."

If you have any questions, please contact the Office of the City Clerk at extension 1524.

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