

RESOLUTION 0187-2021 adopted by the Council of The Corporation of the City of Mississauga at its meeting on October 13, 2021

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Moved by: P. Saito

Seconded by: C. Parrish

**WHEREAS** On September 14, 2021 the Government of Ontario amended O.Reg. 364/20 under the *Reopening Ontario Act* and issued guidance requiring that patrons provide proof of vaccination to enter certain facilities; and

**WHEREAS** In accordance O.Reg. 364/20, the City of Mississauga began requiring proof of vaccination to access select indoor services such as City-owned fitness centres, entertainment/cultural venues and sports facilities as of September 22, 2021; and

**WHEREAS** Community Centres are designed to be multipurpose spaces where a variety of activities are occurring simultaneously and concurrently in amenity spaces such as pools, gymnasiums and arenas; and

**WHEREAS** Community Centres contain sport facilities, meeting rooms, child care facilities, public libraries and other amenities; and

**WHEREAS** Children under the age of 18, coaches and team officials participating in an organized sport are not required to show proof of vaccination to enter facilities; and

**WHEREAS** Children between the ages of 12-18 years of age participating in a non-organized sport or recreational activity (ie, recreational swims, recreational skates, drop-in sport activities) are required to show proof of vaccination to enter facilities; and

**WHEREAS** the proof of vaccination requirements in O.Reg.364/20 have resulted in extensive confusion for patrons entering our facilities; and

**WHEREAS** multiple Public Health Units and municipalities have issued orders or implemented policies regarding proof of vaccination that are more restrictive than O.Reg. 364/20, resulting in further confusion for sport participants travelling across municipal boundaries for competition;

## THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:

- 1. That Council request that the Government of Ontario amend Ontario Regulation 364/20:
  - to remove the exemption from the proof of vaccination requirements for youth between the ages of 12-18 years of age participating in organized sport, and associated volunteer coaches, and officials;
  - b. to provide consistent proof of vaccination requirements for all sport, recreation and culture programs and activities for participants between the ages of 12 and 18 years,

and associated volunteer coaches, and officials; regardless of whether the activities are considered organized or not; and

2. That a copy of this resolution be sent to the Premier, the Solicitor General, Provincial Minister of Health, Mississauga MPPs, the Region of Peel and other Ontario Municipalities.

Carried