

# CITY OF HAMILTON MOTION

City Council: July 14, 2023

**MOVED BY COUNCILLOR C. KROETSCH.....**

**SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR A. WILSON.....**

**Declaration of the Peregrine Falcon as Hamilton's Official "City Bird" (City Wide)**

WHEREAS, Nature Canada's scoring and evaluation rubric for becoming a Bird Friendly City includes as one of its metrics, the identification of a "City Bird" species that was selected through a public engagement process;

WHEREAS, the Peregrine Falcon was selected Hamilton's "City Bird" as a result of the community engagement process that was undertaken by Bird Friendly Hamilton Burlington from December 2021 to March 2022; and

WHEREAS, the Peregrine Falcon is a Species at Risk (Special Concern) which nests each year on the 18th-floor ledge of the Sheraton Hotel and is monitored by Hamilton Falconwatch (a project of the Hamilton Naturalists' Club) and is cherished by many residents of Hamilton.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

- (a) That the Peregrine Falcon be identified as Hamilton's official "City Bird"; and
- (b) That a copy of this resolution be shared with Bird Friendly Hamilton Burlington.