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All Ontario Municipalities

Re: Frontenac County Council Meeting – July 17, 2024 – Request for the Provincial Government to Recognize the Physician Shortage in Frontenac County

Please be advised that the Council of the County of Frontenac, at its regular meeting held July 17, 2024, passed the following resolution, being Motions, Notice of Which has Been Given, clause a):

Motions, Notice of Which has Been Given

a) Request for the Provincial Government to Recognize the Physician Shortage in Frontenac County

Motion #: 133-24 Moved By: Deputy Warden Vandewal
Seconded By: Councillor Saunders

Whereas the state of health care in Ontario is in crisis, with 2.3 million Ontarians lacking access to a family doctor, emergency room closures across the province, patients being de-rostered and 40% of family doctors considering retirement over the next five years; and,

Whereas it is becoming increasingly challenging to attract and retain an adequate healthcare workforce throughout the health sector across Ontario; and,



Whereas Ontario municipal governments play an integral role in the health care system through responsibilities in public health, long-term care, paramedicine, and other investments; and,

Whereas the percentage of family physicians practicing comprehensive family medicine has declined from 77 in 2008 to 65 percent in 2022; and,

Whereas per capita health-care spending in Ontario is the lowest of all provinces in Canada, and,

Whereas a robust workforce developed through a provincial, sector-wide health human resources strategy would significantly improve access to health services across the province;

Now Therefore Be It Resolved That the Council of the County of Frontenac urges the Province of Ontario to recognize the physician shortage in Frontenac County and Ontario, to fund health care appropriately, and ensure every Ontarian has access to physician care.

Carried

Should you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me at 613-548-9400, ext. 302 or via email at jamini@frontenacounty.ca.

Yours Truly,



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