

## **Municipality of North Perth**

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January 10<sup>th</sup>, 2011

Dalton McGuinty, Premier of Ontario Legislative Building Queen's Park Toronto, ON M7A 1A1

Dear Premier McGuinty:

Please be informed that the Council of the Municipality of North Perth at their regular meeting on Monday, December 20<sup>th</sup>, 2010, endorsed the following resolution:

WHEREAS the Council of the Municipality of North Perth has concerns over the Green Energy Act in relation to its application to industrial wind turbines;

AND WHEREAS the Council of the Municipality of North Perth is dissatisfied with the Province of Ontario removing industrial wind turbine approvals and overall decision-making approvals from the Municipal Governments;

AND WHEREAS the Council of the Municipality of North Perth is dissatisfied with regulations imposed by the Province of Ontario on the erection and operation of industrial wind turbines with respect to land use planning and the impact on building economically viable and sustainable communities;

AND WHEREAS the Council of the Municipality of North Perth is concerned with the conflicting information regarding the health effects of industrial wind turbines on citizens living in close proximity to these structures;

AND WHEREAS the potential health effects is proven to be destructive and divisive to the social and cultural fabric of our rural urban communities;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Municipality of North Perth requests the Ontario Provincial Government to implement a moratorium on industrial wind turbines until independent health studies have been completed and a full environmental study be done to determine the possible impact, and all related potential costs that will be incurred by the Municipality and the effect on property values in the affected areas and the introduction of legislation that some powers to deal with these wind turbines be restored to allow municipalities to set appropriate setbacks specific to their jurisdictions and to implement such other measures as they deem necessary;



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AND FURTHER THAT a copy of this resolution be sent to the Premiere of Ontario, the Honourable Dalton McGuinty, the Minister of Environment and MPP Perth-Wellington, John Wilkinson, leader of the Official Opposition, Tim Hudak, to such other provincial cabinet ministers that may be deemed appropriate; and

That a copy be forwarded to the Association of Municipalities of Ontario for their support and for distribution to AMO member Municipalities seeking their approval and encouraging them to pass similar resolutions.

Yours truly,

Patricia Berfelz, CMO Clerk, Municipality of North Perth

## Enclosure

c.c. John Wilkinson, Minister of the Environment and MPP Perth Wellington Tim Hudak, Leader of the Opposition Association of Municipalities of Ontario

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