THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF NIAGARA-ON-THE-LAKE

TOWN CLERK'S OFFICE

DATE:

JUNE 25, 2012,

NO. _______

MOVED BY COUNCILLOR:

SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR:

WHEREAS the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Niagara-on-the-Lake (Council) is held accountable to residents to manage Municipal Household or Special Waste (MHSW) through event collection days administered by the Region of Niagara; AND WHEREAS the current accessibility option to the Town of Niagara on the Lake residents is limited to one event day a year in the Town of Niagara on-the-Lake with optional accessibility in two neighbouring municipalities that are considerable distances from the town residences, making this option, for all intents and purposes, inaccessible; AND WHEREAS a significant portion of the Town of Niagara on-the-Lake population is comprised of senior citizens, accessibility is highly dependent on proximity of events and on frequency of events;

AND WHEREAS Council appreciates the Region of Niagara's significant challenge to negotiate significant improvements to accessibility with Stewardship Ontario as stewards are not motivated to provide additional accessibility due to increased costs; AND WHEREAS these materials are of significant environmental concern if not managed appropriately, it is incumbent that the Province through direction to Waste Diversion Ontario and Stewardship Ontario make provision for increased accessibility for these materials and direct full compensation of these additional costs to the producers of these materials.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that in order to manage MHSW collection and disposal services, the Province be urged to direct Stewardship Ontario to provide increased accessibility to all municipalities in Ontario, including small municipalities like the Town of Niagara-on-the-Lake and provide full compensation to those providing the service to cover the full cost of collection and disposal of MHSW;

AND FURTHER that this resolution be shared with the Region of Niagara and all municipalities in Ontario, the Association of Municipalities of Ontario and the Municipal Waste Association and that their support be requested;

AND that this resolution be forwarded to the Honourable Dalton McGuinty, Premier of Ontario and to the Honourable Jim Bradley, Ontario Minister of the Environment requesting Government's support with respect to this motion.

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