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Subject: Grand Valley Support Resolution

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Good morning,

At the September 13, 2022 regular meeting, Council for the Town of Grand Valley passed the following motion:

Resolution 2022-09-14

Moved by S Miles, Seconded by P Latam

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Grand Valley Council support the resolution passed by the

Town of South Bruce Peninsula and therefore be it resolved that the Council of the Town of Grand Valley endorse the following and direct staff to provide a copy of this resolution to The Province of Ontario, The Town of South Bruce Peninsula and municipalities within Dufferin County:

WHEREAS the Province of Ontario and particularly rural areas such as South Bruce Peninsula, are experiencing a severe shortage of physicians, leaving many people without access to medical care;

AND WHEREAS when the Province of Ontario realized the shortage of Personal Support Workers, they took progressive action to support Ontario colleges to provide free tuition for students who agreed to enter into this field of study and work;

AND WHEREAS it is recognized that the education costs for a physician can be a deterrent for students contemplating entering the medical field;

AND WHEREAS the Town of South Bruce Peninsula has taken steps to support the recruitment of physicians by earmarking money to hire a recruiter, by monetarily supporting a recruitment Committee and by providing money for new physicians to use to set up office space and for housing;

NOW THEREFORE be it resolved that the Town of South Bruce peninsula respectfully requests that the Province of Ontario and Government of Canada recognizes that the shortage in health care workers is not unique to Personal Support Workers but is also relevant to physicians including specialists and general practitioners;

AND THAT in order to support Ontario municipalities and their residents the Provincial and Federal Governments take steps to provide support and subsidy to students entering medical school with the intention of becoming practicing physicians in the Province of Ontario and particularly in underserved rural and northern municipalities;

AND THAT the Provincial and Federal Governments work with Canadian universities to increase the number of students accepted into medical school and residency programs;

AND THAT the Province expedites the accreditation process for foreign medical practitioners;

AND FURTHER THAT the Town of South Bruce Peninsula supports whatever protective measures the Provincial and Federal Governments place on the subsidy given to ensure that the students receiving the funding become practicing physicians in the Province of Ontario.

CARRIED

If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Kind regards,
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