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June 22, 2021

**File No. 21-94**

SENT VIA EMAIL

Town of West Lincoln  
318 Canborough Street  
Smithville, Ontario L0R 2A0

Attention: Ms. Joanne Scime, City Clerk

**Re: June 15, 2021 – WELLAND CITY COUNCIL**

At its meeting of June 15, 2021, Welland City Council passed the following motion:

**“THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND receives and endorses the correspondence from the Township of West Lincoln dated May 26, 2021 regarding Endorsement of 988 Suicide and Crisis Prevention Hotline Initiative.**

**WHEREAS the Federal government has passed a motion to adopt 988, a National three-digit suicide and crisis hotline; and**

**WHEREAS the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic has increased the demand for suicide prevention services by 200%; and**

**WHEREAS existing suicide prevention hotlines require the user to remember a 10-digit number and go through directories or be placed on hold.**

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT Township Council endorses the 988 crisis line initiative to ensure critical barriers are removed to those in a crisis and seeking help; and**

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**THAT a letter demonstrating Township of West Lincoln Council's support be sent to the Honourable Patty Hajdu, Federal Minister of Health, the Honorable Dean Allison MP Niagara West, the Honourable Sam Oosterhoff MPP Niagara West, Ian Scott Chairperson and Chief Executive Officer, Canadian Radio- Television and Telecommunications and all municipalities in Ontario.**

Yours truly,



Tara Stephens  
City Clerk

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- c.c.: - The Honorable Patty Hajdu, Federal Minister of Health, sent via email  
- The Honorable Dean Allison, MP Niagara West, sent via e-mail  
- The Honorable Sam Oosterhoff, MPP Niagara West, sent via e-mail  
- Ian Scott, Chairperson & Chief Executive Officer, Canadian Radio-Television and Telecommunications, sent via e-mail  
- All Ontario Municipalities, sent via e-mail