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November 28, 2024

The Honourable Doug Ford  
Premier of Ontario  
Legislative Building, Queen's Park  
Toronto, ON M7A 1A1

[premier@ontario.ca](mailto:premier@ontario.ca)

Dear Premier,

**RE: TOWNSHIP OF KING RESOLUTION – ESTABLISHMENT OF AN ONTARIO  
RURAL ROAD SAFETY PROGRAM**

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At its Council meeting of November 25, 2024, Council of the Township of King received and supported the following Resolution:

**Whereas** official statistics from the Government of Ontario confirm that rural roads are inherently more dangerous than other roads; and

**Whereas**, despite only having 17% of the population, 55% of the road fatalities occur on rural roads; and

**Whereas**, rural, northern, and remote municipalities are fiscally strained by maintaining extensive road networks on a smaller tax base; and

**Whereas**, preventing crashes reduces the burden on Ontario's already strained rural strained health care system; and

**Whereas**, roadway collisions and associated lawsuits are significant factors in runaway municipal insurance premiums. Preventing crashes can have a significant impact in improving municipal risk profiles;

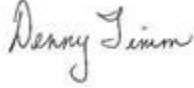
**Now Therefore Be It Resolved That;**

1. The Township of King requests that the Government of Ontario take action to implement the rural road safety program that Good Roads has committed to lead. It will allow Ontario's rural municipalities to make the critical investments needed to reduce the high number of people being killed and seriously injured on Ontario's rural roads; and
2. That a copy of this resolution be forwarded to Premier Doug Ford, Hon. Prabmeet Sarkaria, Minister of Transportation, Hon. Kinga Surma, Minister of Infrastructure, Hon. Rob Flack, Minister of Agriculture, Hon. Lisa Thompson, Minister of Rural Affairs, Hon. Trevor Jones, Associate Minister of Emergency Preparedness and Response, and Hon. Sylvia Jones, Minister of Health, and Good Roads; and

3. That this resolution be circulated to all municipalities in Ontario requesting their support.

*Carried Unanimously.*

Yours sincerely,



Denny Timm  
Township Clerk

- cc. Hon. Prabmeet Singh Sarkaria, Minister of Transportation [Prabmeet.Sarkaria@pc.ola.org](mailto:Prabmeet.Sarkaria@pc.ola.org)  
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