



THE CORPORATION OF THE  
**TOWN OF COBALT**

December 12, 2024

The Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario  
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Please be advised that the Council of the Town of Cobalt passed the following resolution at its Regular Meeting of Council held Tuesday, December 10, 2024.

**RESOLUTION No. 2024-218**

MOVED BY: Councillor Wilcox  
SECONDED BY: Councillor Lafleur

**WHEREAS** Police Services across Ontario are exhausting precious time and resources having to manage the repeated arrests of the same offenders, which in turn, is impacting their morale, and ultimately law-abiding citizens who are paying the often significant financial and emotional toll of this broken system;

**AND WHEREAS** the “catch and release” system is needlessly increasing the policing costs to the Municipalities;

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** that the Corporation of the Town of Cobalt will send a letter to the Federal and Provincial Governments requesting meaningful improvements to the current state of “catch and release” justice in the Ontario legal system;

**AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT** this resolution be forwarded to the Premier, the relevant federal and provincial authorities, the Rural Ontario Municipalities Association, the Federation of Northern Ontario Municipalities and all municipalities in Ontario for their endorsement consideration.

Thank you,



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