



The Honourable Doug Downey, Attorney General of Ontario
Ministry of the Attorney General
720 Bay Street
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Toronto, ON M7A 2S9

Dear Honourable Sir:

July 15th 2019

Re: Resolution Regarding Enforcement for Safety on Family Farms

Please be advised that on July 10th the Town of Plympton-Wyoming Council passed the following motion to support Warwick Township Council's motion (attached) that was passed on June 17th 2019.

Motion #13 – Moved by Bob Woolvett, Seconded by Tim Wilkins that Council support the motion provided by the Township of Warwick with regards to Enforcement for Safety on Family Farms.

Motion Carried.

If you have any questions regarding the above motion, please do not hesitate to contact me at the number above or by email at ekwarciak@plympton-wyoming.ca.

Sincerely,

Erin Kwarcia
Clerk

Town of Plympton-Wyoming

Cc: Amanda Gubbels, Administrator/Clerk – Township of Warwick
The Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario
The Honourable Sylvia Jones, Solicitor General
The Honourable Ernie Hardeman, Minister of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs
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June 26, 2019

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Dear Honourable Sir:

Re: Resolution Regarding Enforcement for Safety on Family Farms

Please be advised that Warwick Township Council adopted the following resolution at their regular meeting on June 17, 2019:

WHEREAS agriculture is the second largest industry in Ontario, contributing \$13.7 billion annually to Ontario's GDP and is essential for putting food on the tables of millions of people here and around the world;

AND WHEREAS in recent months there has been a steady increase in harassment of farmers and livestock transporters by activists opposed to animal agriculture and the consumption of animals;

AND WHEREAS the protests have become blatantly illegal in nature with extremist groups trespassing onto private property, unlawfully entering into buildings and removing animals without fear of prosecution and even promoting and publishing their crimes on social media;

AND WHEREAS maintaining proper biosecurity is essential to ensure the health and well-being of the animals cared for on these agricultural operations;

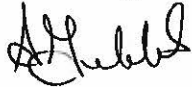
AND WHEREAS the recent attacks on farmers homes and businesses have resulted in no criminal charges laid, leaving farmers feeling unprotected by the Ontario legal system and afraid for the welfare of themselves, their families, their employees and the animals they care for;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council for the Corporation of the Township of Warwick requests that Hon. Doug Downey work with his fellow MPP's and agricultural leaders to find a better way forward to ensure stronger enforcement of existing laws - or new legislation - to ensure the safety of Ontario's farm families, employees and animals;

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT this motion be circulated to Hon. Doug Downey, Ministry of the Attorney General, Hon. Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario, Hon. Sylvia Jones, Solicitor General and Hon. Ernie Hardeman, Minister of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs and all Municipalities in the Province of Ontario, AMO, and ROMA.

- Carried.

Yours truly,



Amanda Gubbels
Administrator/Clerk
Township of Warwick

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