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The Municipality of West Elgon 22413 Hoskins Line, Box 490 Rodney, Ontario N0L 2C0

Dear Mayor and Council:

At its meeting of July 15, 2020, Council of The Township of St. Joseph received your resolution urging the Ontario government and the Federal government to work together to investigate the feasibility of a universal basic income program.

The provision of a universal basic income would level the playing field for many families in Canada and alleviate the necessity for other social support systems. Over time, as low income people become less dependent on social services and gain the confidence and independence that a basic income provides, we would see improvements to the health and well being of children and families, improved mental health, secure housing, and an overall reduction in the need and reliance on support services. Basic support leads to healthier lifestyles, and provides people with the ability to make better choices.

Council supported this resolution and, as such, copies will be sent to our respective Member of Parliament for Algoma-Manitoulin-Kapuskasing, and the Member of Provincial Parliament for Algoma-Manitoulin.

Please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned if you require additional information.

Yours truly,

Carol O. Trainor, A.M.C.T.

Clerk Administrator

cc Carol Hughes, MP Mike Mantha, MPP