

## The Corporation of the Township of Terrace Bay

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February 2, 2021

The Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario Legislative Building, Queen's Park Toronto, ON M7A 1Y7

Dear Premier Doug Ford,

Please be advised that Council of The Corporation of the Township of Terrace Bay at the Regular Council Meeting of February 1, 2021 resolved as follows:

That the resolution received from the Town of Augusta Re: Ontario Fire College

Resolution: 28-2021

Moved By: Councillor St.Louis

Seconded By: Councillor Malashewski

WHEREAS the Ontario Fire College has been in existence since 1949; and

**WHEREAS** the Ontario Fire College is one of the primary sources of certified training for Ontario Firefighters; and

**WHEREAS** the Ontario Fire College has built a reputation of integrity, credibility, and reliability in providing some of the best training to our Fire Services within the Province of Ontario; and

**WHEREAS** the Ontario Fire College has been used to train and certify both Volunteer, Part-Time and Career firefighters throughout Ontario; and

**WHEREAS** the Ontario Fire College gives Ontario Firefighters another option other than Regional Training Centers to obtain National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) certifications; and

**WHEREAS** the Ontario Fire College is the most cost-effective method to certify Firefighters to NFPA Standards in Ontario; and

**WHEREAS** the Ontario Government enacted and revoked 0. Reg. 379/18: Firefighter Certification in 2018; and

**WHEREAS** when the Ontario Government revoked 0. Reg. 379/18: Firefighter Certification, it was made known by the Office of the Solicitor General that the act would be amended and brought back in the future; and

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Township of Terrace Bay requests that the Province of Ontario reverse their decision to close the Ontario Fire College as the OFC is one of the best and most cost-effective methods for municipalities to train their firefighters which assists us in protecting our residents; and

**CARRIED** 

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT** this Resolution is forwarded to the Honourable Doug Ford Premier of Ontario, the Honourable Sylvia Jones; Ontario Solicitor General, the Honourable Steve Clark, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, the Ontario Fire Marshal; Jon Pegg, and all municipalities within the Province of Ontario.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Jonathan Hall CAO/Clerk

CC: Honourable Sylvia Jones, Ontario Solicitor General

Hon. Steve Clark, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing Jon Pegg, Ontario Fire Marshal **Ontario Municipalities**