



November 24, 2021

Fernando Lamanna
Clerk
Township of Brock
1 Cameron Street East
Cannington, ON L0E 1E0

Dear Mr. Lamanna:

RE: International Women's Day Recognition, Our File: A00

Council of the Region of Durham, at its meeting held on November 24, 2021, adopted the following resolution, as amended:

“Whereas women are under-represented in elected politics in Canada;

And Whereas it wasn't until 1960 that all women in Canada were given the right to vote;

And Whereas the right to vote is inextricably linked to the electability of women;

And Whereas the Durham Regional Government strives to have fair representation in embracing diversity and inclusion regardless of gender, sexual orientation, religion, culture;

And Whereas women have made a significant contribution socially, culturally, politically and economically to life in Durham Region;

And Whereas council appreciates, values, and recognizes the challenges women faced in the struggle for fair and equitable treatment;

And Whereas the struggle for women's rights were hard fought and should be recognized;

And Whereas a woman's place is in the House of Parliament, the provincial legislature, and in the council chambers across Canada;

And Whereas women who have served the people of Durham Region at all levels of elected office should be recognized for standing as an inspiration to other young women to participate in the political discourse of Durham Region;

Now therefore be it resolved:

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1. That the Chief Administrative Officer (CAO) and senior staff where appropriate be directed to develop a formal way to recognize Durham Region's former and current elected officials and community leaders, at all levels as part of Durham's International Women's Day for 2022;
2. That the recognition may take the form of a social event, a plaque dedication, artistic expression, or some other method as appropriate; and
3. That the CAO, in consultation with any, and all, women members of Durham Regional Council, produce a report on this International Women's Day recognition for consideration by Council no later than the early part of the first quarter of 2022; and
4. That the motion be forwarded to all Durham Region municipalities."

Ralph Walton

Ralph Walton,
Regional Clerk/Director of Legislative Services

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c: E. Baxter-Trahair, Chief Administrative Officer