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The Honourable Doug Ford, premier@ontario.ca

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Support Resolution from the Council of Kitchener passed October 18th re: Vaccine Passport Program

Please be advised the Council of the Municipality of Chatham-Kent at its regular meeting held on November 8, 2021 supported the following resolution:

"WHEREAS the Covid-19 pandemic has been both a health crisis and an economic crisis; and,

WHEREAS lockdown and physical distancing measures have caused significant hardship to businesses, particularly those dependent on in-person delivery or experience (ex: retail, restaurant, hospitality, personal service, etc.); and,

WHEREAS vaccinations have proven to be an effective means of keeping Ontarians safe and can enable businesses to safely remain open without compromising the health of their customers and employees; and,

WHEREAS the Province of Ontario and the Regional Municipality of Waterloo are the primary authorities governing public health in the city of Kitchener;

WHEREAS the Economic Development Advisory Committee expressed concerns about financial supports for businesses and the City's ability to support, maintain and grow the economy;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the City of Kitchener thank the Province of Ontario for developing the vaccine passport program, but urge the Province to provide financial supports for businesses to cover capital and human resource costs necessary to execute the program; and,

THEREFORE BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Honourable Premier of Ontario, the Minster of Municipal Affairs and Housing, the Association of Municipalities of Ontario; and, all other Ontario municipalities."

If you have any questions or comments, please contact Judy Smith at <u>judys@chatham-</u>kent.ca

Sincerely,

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