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ALL NIAGARA REGION MUNICIPALITIES (VIA EMAIL)

Dear Sir/Madam:

RE: February 5, 2013 – WELLAND CITY COUNCIL

At its meeting of February 5, 2013, Welland City Council passed the following motion:

“THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND strongly urges the Niagara Hospital System (NHS) to refrain from making any decision with respect to moving Maternal & Child Care Services and In-Patient Paediatrics from the Welland Hospital Site and Greater Niagara General Hospital (GNGH) Site until the New St. Catharines Hospital Site has been in full operation for six (6) months; and further

THAT Welland City Council urges Dr. Kevin Smith and the Local Health Integration Network (LHIN) to permit the new NHS Board of Directors, once appointed, to be given an opportunity to review and provide input on the decision to move the aforementioned services from the Welland Hospital Site and GNGH Site to the New St. Catharines Hospital Site; and further

THAT Welland City Council requests that the Tripartite Review Committee established by the Ministry of Health & Long Term Care, involving the LHIN, the NHS, and the Region reconvenes as soon as possible in order to complete the review it was tasked to do; and further

THAT Welland City Council directs that this motion be forwarded to all Niagara Region municipalities seeking their support for this motion at their very earliest opportunity, and so inform Dr. Smith, the LHIN, Minister Matthews; Premier-elect Kathleen Wynne, and MPP's Tim Hudak and Andrea Horwath of such support.”

Yours truly,

for Christine Kosmack-Raby
City Clerk

CK:ts

- c.c. - Dr. Kevin Smith, NHS Supervisor, Niagara Health System, c/o St. Joseph's Health Care Hamilton, Room M146, 50 Charlton Avenue East, Hamilton, Ontario L8N 4A6
- Michael Shea, Chair, Hamilton Niagara Haldimand Brant LHIN, 264 Main Street East, Grimsby, Ontario, L3M 1P8
 - The Honourable Deb Matthews, Minister of Health & Long Term Care, Hepburn Block, 10th Floor, 80 Grosvenor Street, Toronto, Ontario M7A 2C4
 - Premier-elect Kathleen Wynne, Legislative Building, Queen's Park, Toronto, Ontario, M7A 1A1
 - Tim Hudak, MPP, Room 381, Main Legislative Building, Queen's Park, Toronto, Ontario, M7A 1A8
 - Andrea Horwath, MPP, Room 113, Main Legislative Building, Queen's Park, Toronto, Ontario, M7A 1A5
 - Cindy Forster, MPP, Unit 103, 60 King Street, Canal View, Welland, Ontario L3B 6A4
 - Councillor Campion, Chair, Health Care Committee