



Friday, January 19, 2007

To: All Ontario Municipalities

The Council of the Town of Minto, at the January 17, 2007 Council meeting, unanimously adopted the following Resolution:

WHEREAS:

Royal Canadian Legions in the Province of Ontario face a financial crisis due to declining and aging membership; and

WHEREAS:

The Royal Canadian Legions are an asset to the communities across the Country by providing aid to veterans and their families as well supporting minor sports and various community projects; and

WHEREAS:

The Town of Minto and the County of Wellington have recognized the immense worth of local Royal Canadian Legions by providing property tax relief for the municipal portion of these taxes as provided under s. 325 of the Municipal Act, S.O. 2001 or s. 6 of the Assessment Act, R.S.O. 1990, CHAPTER A.31; and

WHEREAS:

Present Ontario legislation does not provide for relief from the Education portion of property taxes paid by Royal Canadian Legions;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

The Town of Minto appeals to the government of Ontario to take immediate action to exempt Royal Canadian Legions in Ontario from the Education portion of property taxes;

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT:

This resolution be forwarded to the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (A.M.O.), Waterloo-Wellington M.P.P. Ted Arnott, the Honourable Greg Sorbara, Minister of Finance, the Honourable Kathleen Wynne, Minister of Education and the Honourable John Gerretsen, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing.

Please present this Resolution to your members of Council for their consideration and endorsement.

Yours truly,

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