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Mayor David Miller
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Honourable Sir,

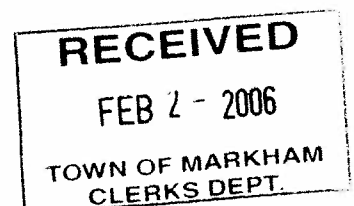
Re: GUN CRIME AND GANG VIOLENCE

At its meeting of January 16, 2006 Council of the Township of King enacted the following resolution:

WHEREAS gang violence and gun-related deaths continue to escalate in the Greater Toronto Area;

AND WHEREAS the City of Toronto, provincial and federal levels of government are proposing steps to address gun and weapons related crimes including legislative changes to improve gun control, stiffer sentences, increased police presence in the known problem areas and dedicated judicial resources to help the police in prosecuting gun crime cases;

AND WHEREAS in addition to the above initiatives, the development of a series of long-term social assistance programs including education and job-skills training incentives is contemplated to assist in keeping youth from joining gangs and becoming involved in crime;



THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:

1. That the Council of the Corporation of the Township of King supports the initiatives of the City of Toronto, Province of Ontario and Government of Canada in improving gun control, stiffer sentences for gun and other weapon-related crime and curtailing gang-related crime with firm and accountable law enforcement;
2. That all leaders in the Greater Toronto Area are encouraged to support government initiatives for our youth that promote education, positive role models and a sense of self worth;
3. That this resolution be circulated to Lui Temelkovski, MP Markham-Oak Ridges-King, Peter Van Loan, MP York-Simcoe (King), Julia Munro, MPP York North, Greg Sorbara, MPP Vaughan-King-Aurora, David Miller, Mayor of the City of Toronto and all Greater Toronto municipalities.

Yours truly,



Chris Somerville
Clerk

cc. Lui Temelkovski, MP, Markham, Oak Ridges & King
Peter Van Loan, MP, York-Simcoe (King)
Greg Sorbara, MPP, Vaughan/King/Aurora
Julia Munro, MPP, York-North
Denis Kelly, Regional Clerk, Region of York
Anita Moore, Clerk, Town of Newmarket
Bob Panizza, Clerk, Town of Aurora
J. D. Leach, City Clerk, City of Vaughan
Robert Prowse, Clerk, Town of Richmond Hill
Lucille King, Clerk, Town of East Gwillimbury
Roland Chenier, Clerk, Town of Georgina
Sheila Birrell, Clerk, Town of Markham
Michele Kennedy, Clerk, Town of Whitchurch-Stouffville
Charlotte Gravlev, Regional Clerk, Regional Municipality of Peel
Patricia M. Madill, Regional Clerk, Regional Municipality of Durham
Monica Wallenfels, Regional Clerk, Regional Municipality of Halton

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COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE REPORT

The following item from the Committee of the Whole Report of January 16th, 2006 was adopted by Council at its meeting of January 30th, 2006.

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RESOLUTION FOR CONSIDERATION **RE: GUN CRIME AND GANG VIOLENCE**

Committee considered a Resolution regarding the escalation of gang violence and gun-related deaths in the Greater Toronto Area.

Committee recommends that the Resolution be received, approved, as amended, and that the Clerk send a copy to the City of Toronto, Province of Ontario, Government of Canada, Lui Temelkovski, MP, Peter Van Loan, MP, Julia Munro, MPP, Greg Sorbara, MPP and surrounding municipalities.

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