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Honourable and Dear Sirs:

Support Resolution from the Council of Huron County passed October 20th re: Homelessness Task Force

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 County of Huron has established a "Huron County Homelessness Task Force" to address the rapidly increasing issue of homelessness in the County.

THAT the County of Huron, due to the substantial increase in chronic homelessness not only in Huron County but across Ontario and Canada, requests the Province of Ontario and the Government of Canada to identify Homelessness a "Provincial" and "National Crisis" across the Province of Ontario and Canada.

AND FURTHER THAT the Province of Ontario and Government of Canada acknowledge that lack of resources to support addiction and mental health programs to be a leading cause of homelessness.

AND FURTHER THAT the County of Huron requests the Province of Ontario and Government of Canada to provide further financial support for housing and homelessness programs as well as increase funding to mental health and addiction services."

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

Sincerely,

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