MOVED BY: Les Nichols                       SECONDED BY: Mike McDonagh

WHEREAS all citizens of Ontario benefit, value and continue to demand increased services from Ontario’s thirty six (36) Conservation authorities in their mandated areas of water, source water and environmental protection;

AND WHEREAS provincial funding to Ontario’s Conservation Authorities has decreased by 87% since 1992 – (MNR funding transfer to C.A’s – 1992 = $58,900,000 - 2005 = $7,600,000)

AND WHEREAS due to the shortfall in provincial funding; member municipalities now are required to fund approximately 40% of the Ontario Conservation Authorities budgets;

AND WHEREAS this results in an unfair per capita cost burden on property owners;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Municipality of South Bruce request the following action:
1. that Conservation Ontario implement and prioritize a major lobby effort against the Provincial Government and MNR to demand fair funding.
2. that our MPP’s support this mandate and demand the government significantly increase funding to the thirty six Ontario Conservation Authorities

AND THAT this resolution be forwarded with a request for action to:
Conservation Ontario
Ontario Ministry of Natural Resources
Local MPP’s
Saugeen Valley and Maitland Valley Conservation Authorities
Rural Ontario Municipalities Association (ROMA)
Association for Municipalities of Ontario (AMO)

AND FURTHER THAT this resolution be circulated to all AMO member municipalities requesting their support.

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