December 18, 2007

To: All Ontario Municipalities

The Council of the Municipality adopted the following Resolution at their Council Meeting of December 10, 2007:

WHEREAS Municipalities in the Province of Ontario continue to have problems funding existing and new infrastructure;

AND WHEREAS fast growing Municipalities such as North Grenville face particular difficulty in financing new infrastructure initiatives as existing infrastructure funding programs are focused predominantly on rehabilitation or replacement of existing infrastructure;

AND WHEREAS under the Constitution of Canada, the Provincial Government has the authority and responsibility for Municipal issues, including the funding and financing of Municipal infrastructure programs;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Municipality of North Grenville requests that the Government of the Province of Ontario commit 1/8th of the current 8% Provincial Sales Tax to Municipalities to fund Municipal Infrastructure Programs;

AND FURTHER THAT this resolution be forwarded to the Hon Dalton McGuinty, Premier of Ontario, Rt. Hon Steven Harper, Prime Minister of Canada, Hon. Dwight Duncan, Minister of Finance (Ontario), Hon. Jim Flaherty, Minister of Finance (Federal), Bob Runciman, Leader of the Opposition, Howard Hampton, Leader of the Ontario NDP, Gord Brown, M.P. and John Tory, Leader of the PC Party of Ontario, and to all Municipalities in the Province of Ontario for consideration and endorsement.

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

Yours truly,

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