Town of Caledon

Date: March 21, 2006

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WHEREAS there is an income crisis on Ontario's farms;

AND WHEREAS the Ontario Federation of Agriculture has called upon the Provincial and Federal Governments to act in order to solve the problem of negative incomes on Ontario farms;

AND WHEREAS the farmers of our municipality support the local and provincial economy and jobs;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Town of Caledon recognizes the real threat to the long term financial viability of Ontario farmers and their communities and request that the governments of Ontario and Canada commit to:

- Immediate and sufficient funding for long term programs and delivery of funding over the next three years, until the next Agricultural Policy Framework can be designed and implemented to provide a satisfactory standard of living for Ontario farmers and their families;
- Flexibility in the delivery of assistance to farmers that works for farmers and, as such, will preserve programs like supply management systems that have already proven to work for farmers, consumers, Federal and Provincial Governments.
- A commitment to build on and improve the five Agricultural Policy Framework (APF) pillars for long term growth and development.

AND FURTHER THAT Council for the Corporation of the Town of Caledon circulate this resolution to the Prime Minister of Canada, the Federal Minister of Agriculture, members of Parliament in Ontario, the Premier of Ontario, the Ontario Minister of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs, the Ontario government caucus and all municipalities in Ontario.

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