COUNCIL MEETING

DATE: 8 July 2008 RESOLUTION NUMBER: C-6-08/07/08

MOVED BY: Councillor Brian Hare
SECONDED BY: Councillor Mary Grady

WHEREAS the District Municipality of Muskoka spends $2.2 million per year on the services of Municipal Property Assessment Corporation (MPAC);

AND WHEREAS the Township of Muskoka Lakes is levied approximately 40% of this per annum;

AND WHEREAS the Township relies on up-to-date and accurate MPAC data to fulfill legislated requirements such as circulations of applications pursuant to the Planning Act;

AND WHEREAS the Township relies on up-to-date and accurate information for all 911 street numbering, emergency callouts, evacuation procedures as well as taxation;

AND WHEREAS accurate and up-to-date data is not always available from MPAC;

AND WHEREAS the Province of Ontario recovers approximately $6 billion in taxation for education purposes but does not contribute to the operation of MPAC;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Muskoka Lakes strongly request the Board of Directors of MPAC to improve their operations by:

1. allocating provincial funds to correct the over 70,000 errors across the Province for those municipalities with greater reliance on the data receiving priority;

2. making errors and backlog in data a priority to complete;

3. working with lower and upper tier municipalities to correct these errors.

AND FURTHER THAT this resolution be circulated to Premier Dalton McGuinty, the Honourable Jim Watson, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, Member of Provincial Parliament Norm Miller, Opposition Leaders, Association of Municipalities of Ontario, Association of Municipal Managers, Clerks and Treasurers of Ontario, the District Municipality of Muskoka, and all Province of Ontario municipalities.

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