November 24, 2009

Mr. Kevin Christenson  
City Clerk  
City Centre  
77 James Street North Suite 220  
Hamilton, ON L8R 2K3

Dear Mr. Christenson:

RE: Residential Fire Sprinkler Resolution

I am writing to advise that the above referenced matter was considered at the Committee of the Whole meeting held on Monday, November 16, 2009.

Council, at the regular meeting held on Monday, November 23, 2009 adopted the following:

1. THAT the Town of Newmarket petition the Minister of Housing for Ontario to ensure that the requirement for the installation of sprinkler protection be extended to include all new residential construction as defined under the Ontario Building Code;

2. AND THAT it be further resolved, that the Council of the Town of Newmarket petition the Solicitor General for Ontario to include the requirements for residential sprinkler protection in the Ontario Fire Code;

3. AND THAT it be further resolved, that this resolution be circulated to the Member of Provincial Parliament for Newmarket-Aurora, the Canadian Association of Fire Chiefs, the Ontario Association of Fire Chiefs, the Association of Municipalities of Ontario and all member municipalities of the Greater Toronto Area.

I hereby enclose a copy of said Resolution for your action as necessary.

Yours sincerely,

Anita Moore  
Town Clerk

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Enclosure (1)

copy: Chief J. Molyneaux, Central York Fire Services

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RESOLUTION R13-2009

WHEREAS during an average year in Ontario almost 13,000 structure fires result in 90 deaths, 800 injuries and $347 million in property damage with 72% of these fires occurring in residential structures;

AND WHEREAS fire sprinklers have a proven record of saving lives and reducing property loss;

AND WHEREAS the Minister of Housing of Ontario is responsible for the formulation of requirements covering the safety regulations for new buildings in Ontario under the Building Code Act; and the Solicitor General of Ontario is responsible for the formulation of requirements covering the safety regulations for existing buildings in Ontario under the Fire Protection and Prevention Act;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Municipal Council of the Corporation of the Town of Newmarket as follows:

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[Signature]
Tony Van Bynen, Mayor