



The Corporation of
The Township of Brock
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September 29, 2026

Honourable Todd McCarthy
Minister of Environment,
Conservation and Parks

Honourable Sylvia Jones, Minister of
Health Ontario

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Re: Combating Tick Borne Diseases

Please be advised that Council of the Township of Brock, at their meeting held on September 28, 2026 adopted the following resolution:

C-2026-225

Moved by: Regional Councillor Pettingill
Seconded by: Councillor Canavan
Motion Carried.

“Whereas the prevalence of ticks, including those known to carry Lyme disease, and other Vector borne diseases have increased across Ontario; and

Whereas Lyme disease diagnoses have increased by 27% in 2024 to 2369 (Public Health Agency of Canada, PHAC); and

Whereas residents across the Township of Brock have registered growing concerns about public health risks associated with tick exposure in parks, trails and residential areas; and

Whereas municipalities have limited jurisdiction and resources to effectively manage tick populations on a broad ecological scale; and

Whereas the Government of Ontario is responsible for public health policy, environmental management and vector-borne disease prevention and detection;

Therefore, Be It Resolved That the Township of Brock formally requests the Government of Ontario investigate and implement measures to reduce burgeoning tick populations and to mitigate their associated health risks; and

That such measures may include safe and effective tick control methods, public education campaigns and coordinated regional strategies; and

That the Province consider increased funding and support for local public health units to address tick-borne disease prevention; and

That a copy of this motion be sent to Minister of Health, Sylvia Jones, Chief Medical Officer of Health, Kieran Moore, Minister of Environment, Conservation and Parks, Todd McCarthy, Durham Region Public Health, Lake Simcoe Region Conservation Authority, Kawartha Conservation Authority, the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO) and all 444 municipalities across Ontario.”

Should you have any questions or concerns please do not hesitate to contact Clerks@Brock.ca.

Yours truly,

THE TOWNSHIP OF BROCK



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cc. Kieran Moore, Chief Medical Officer of Health
Durham Region Public Health
Mark Critch, Acting CAO/ General Manager, Lake Simcoe Region Conservation Authority
Mark Majchrowski , CAO Kawartha Conservation Authority
Association of Municipalities of Ontario

Bcc. All Ontario Municipalities