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August 11, 2025

**Re: Increased Income Support Thresholds for Canadian Veterans**

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At their regular Council meeting held on August 6, 2025, the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Southgate adopted the following:

No. 2025-396

**Moved By** Councillor John

**Seconded By** Councillor Ferguson

**Be it resolved that** the Township of Southgate formally calls on the Government of Canada and all federal parties to increase the eligibility threshold for the Income Replacement Benefit (IRB) program from \$20,000 to no less than \$40,000 annually for a single person household; and

**That** the Township of Southgate Council urges Veterans Affairs Canada to review all income support programs with the intent to modernize eligibility criteria in line with the current cost of living across Canada; and

**That** this motion be formally endorsed and sent to The Right Honourable Mark Carney, Prime Minister of Canada, The Honourable Jill McKnight, Minister of Veterans Affairs, The Honourable Andrew Scheer, Acting Leader of the Official Opposition, Bruce Grey Owen Sound MP Alex Ruff, Bruce Grey Owen Sound MPP Paul Vickers, all 444 municipalities across the Province of Ontario, The Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM) and the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO) for broader distribution and endorsement.

**Carried**

If you have any questions or concerns regarding the above, please contact our office at (519) 923-2110.

Sincerely,

*Lindsey Green*

Lindsey Green, Clerk  
Township of Southgate

cc: The Right Honourable Mark Carney, Prime Minister of Canada  
The Honourable Jill McKnight, Minister of Veterans Affairs  
The Honourable Andrew Scheer, Acting Leader of the Official Opposition  
Alex Ruff, MP Bruce Grey Owen Sound  
Paul Vickers, MPP Bruce Grey Owen Sound  
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All Ontario Municipalities