June 22, 2023

Municipality of North Perth 330 Wallace Ave North Listowel, ON N4W 1L3

Please be advised that at the Regular Meeting of Council on October 14, 2025, the Town of Cobalt adopted the following resolution:

**RESOLUTION No. 2025-162** 

**MOVED BY:** Councillor Starchuk **SECONDED BY:** Councillor Anderson

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Town of Cobalt supports the Township of Larder Lake's resolution respectfully requesting that the Province of Ontario, through the Ministry of the Solicitor General and the Office of the Fire Marshal, extend the compliance deadlines outlined in Ontario Regulation 343/22 to a minimum of two years beyond the final release date of the Ontario Seal programs offered in the regulation for all affected certification categories;

AND THAT the Province consider implementing a phased or regionally adaptive approach to certification deadlines, taking into account the availability of training programs and the unique challenges faced by volunteer fire services in Rural Ontario;

AND THAT this resolution be forwarded to the Minister of the Solicitor General, the Ontario Fire Marshal, the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO), the Rural Ontario Municipal Association (ROMA), the Ontario Association of Fire Chiefs (OAFC), MPP John Vanthof, and all municipalities in Ontario for support and endorsement.

**CARRIED** 

Kind Regards,

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