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BEING a By-Law to make residential sprinklers mandatory in all new builds within the Municipality of the United Townships of Head, Clara & Maria.

WHEREAS the *Municipal Act*, S.O. 2001, c. 25, provides for the Council of any municipality to take measures and pass by-laws to provide for the health, safety and well-being of persons;

AND WHEREAS the Municipality does not have a fire department to assist in extinguishing fires or saving lives which increases the risk of human life in the event of residential fires;

AND WHEREAS the province of Ontario is already moving towards making sprinklers mandatory in long term care facilities and will eventually move to residential buildings;

AND WHEREAS the Council of the United Townships of Head, Clara & Maria does recognize the benefits of sprinklers in allowing persons precious extra seconds to evacuate their homes in the event of fires;

NOW THEREFORE the Council of the Corporation of the United Townships of Head, Clara & Maria does hereby enact as follows:

- That all new buildings within the United Townships of Head, Clara & Maria will be required to have installed residential fire sprinklers to assist in giving residents extra seconds to escape their residences in the event of fire, hopefully saving lives;
- 2. That this by-law come into effect on the date of passing;

READ a 1st and 2nd time this 13th day of June 2013.

TAMMY LEA STEWART, REEVE

MELINDA REITH, CLERK