

*Request for Decision     United Townships of Head, Clara & Maria Council*

Type of Decision									
Meeting Date	Friday, June 10, 2016				Report Date	Thursday, June 2, 2016			
Decision Required	X	Yes		No	Priority	X	High		Low
Direction	X	Information Only			Type of Meeting	X	Open		Closed

## Resolution of Support – Laurie Scott, MPP and Human Trafficking- Report #10/06/16/1104

**Subject:**

Resolution of support for the position of MPP Laurie Scott, Haliburton-Kawartha Lakes-Brock against human trafficking.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

That Council adopt the following resolution prepared as directed by Council at the meeting of Friday, May 13, 2016.

**WHEREAS** Council has received and reviewed background information provided by MPP Laurie Scott;

**AND WHEREAS** human trafficking is a heinous crime that has been referred to as modern day slavery;

**AND WHEREAS** human trafficking is one of the fastest growing crimes that starts and stays in Canada, targeting victims – 90 percent of which are Canadian-born and predominantly female, averaging the age of 14;

**AND WHEREAS** Ontario is a major hub of human trafficking in Canada, and victims are lured, manipulated and coerced, often over the internet from every part of Ontario;

**AND WHEREAS** human trafficking is in our neighbourhoods and our communities;

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Council of the United Townships of Head, Clara & Maria support Bill 158, *Saving the Girl Next Door Act, 2016*, support MPP Laurie Scott's motion for a multi-jurisdictional and coordinated task force of law enforcement agencies, Crown prosecutors, judges, victims' services and frontline agencies;

**AND FURTHER THAT** a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Premier of Ontario, our MPP John Yakabuski and county municipalities for support.

**BACKGROUND/EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:**

As directed by Council at the meeting of May 13, 2016.

**Financial Considerations/Budget Impact: none**

**Policy Impact:**

As per policy.

**Others Consulted: n/a**

Approved and Recommended by the Clerk

Melinda Reith,  
Municipal Clerk

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