



**The Corporation of the
Township of Perry**

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Date: February 21st, 2018

Resolution No.: 2018-72

Moved By: L. G. Rowley Seconded By: Magaret Ann MacPhee

Whereas public libraries provide safe, inclusive, and vibrant community hubs where residents of all backgrounds are welcome to learn, work, connect and collaborate; and

Whereas the Perry Township Public Library actively partners with the community to deliver valued services and contributes to a culture of social good by sharing knowledge and resources; and

Whereas the Perry Township Public Library continues to evolve its services to meet the changing needs of a growing community, including a new generation of residents who think, learn, read, and collaborate in new ways; and

Whereas the Perry Township Public Library continues to manage public resources with the utmost care and are committed to the sustainability of their services in a context of increased use and reduced resources; and

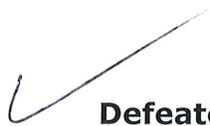
Whereas the Perry Township Public Library continues to deliver services that support provincial initiatives, such as poverty reduction, lifelong learning and skill development, local economic development, health literacy, and provides equitable access to provincial government websites and services;

Now therefore be it resolved that the Council of the Township of Perry urges the Province of Ontario to recognize the contribution of local libraries within their communities and to cease the 20-year budget freeze to local public libraries in an acknowledgement to the services they offer to all residents; and

That Council urges the Province of Ontario to reinstate adequate and appropriate funding for local public libraries, increasing each year going forward in line with the consumer price index; and

Further that a copy of this resolution be sent to the Minister of Tourism, Culture, and Sport, the Ontario Minister of Municipal Affairs, the local MPPs, the Association of Municipalities Ontario, the Ontario Library Association, the Federation of Ontario Public Libraries, and municipalities within the District of Parry Sound for endorsement.

Carried: _____



Defeated: _____



Norm Hofstetter, Mayor

RECORDED VOTE		
Council	For	Against
Councillors Jim Cushman		
Margaret Ann MacPhail		
Jeff Marshall		
Les Rowley		
Mayor Norm Hofstetter		