



Council Resolution Form

Date: 12 Mar 2018 No: Resolution No.60-18  
 Moved By: Councillor Murphy Seconded by Disposition: CARRIED.  
Councillor MacPherson  
 Item No: 12.03.4

Description: Ontario Public Libraries - 2018 Ontario Pre-Budget Submission

**RESOLUTION:**

**WHEREAS** public libraries provide safe, inclusive, and vibrant community spaces where everyone is welcome to learn, work, connect, and have fun; and,

**WHEREAS** the Greater Madawaska Public Library engages with the community and contributes to a culture of social good by sharing knowledge and resources; and,

**WHEREAS** the Greater Madawaska Public Library continues to seek funding opportunities through donor development and sponsorships to increase services and expand programming outside of their core funding; and,

**WHEREAS** in 2017 the Greater Madawaska Public Library continues to have a limited resource budget despite an increase in their circulation by 17% in 2017 from 2016, added two new programs Lego Saturdays and Tween Book Club, increased program attendance by 14%, user ship increased by 10%, increase in checkout over the last 5 years by 83%, increase of library visits and daily traffic over the last five years by 22%; and further,

**WHEREAS** the Greater Madawaska Public Library continues to manage public resources with the utmost care and are committed to the sustainability of their services;

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the Greater Madawaska Public Library 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 libraries in an acknowledgement to the services they offer to all residents; and, .../2

Recorded Vote Requested by:		
.....	Yea	Nay
G. McKay	_____	_____
B. Hunt	_____	_____
W. Fraser	_____	_____
H. Murphy	_____	_____
G. MacPherson	_____	_____

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**MAYOR**

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 Disclosed his/her/their interest(s), vacated he/her/their seat(s), abstained from discussion and did not vote

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Greater Madawaska Public Library urges the Province of Ontario to reinstate adequate and appropriate funding for local libraries, increasing each year going forward in line with the consumer price index; and,

**BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED** that a copy of this resolution be sent to the Minister of Tourism, Culture, and Sport, to the Ontario Minister of Municipal Affairs, to the local MPP's, to the Association of Municipalities Ontario, to the Ontario Library Association and to the Federation of Ontario Public Libraries.

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