

February 10, 2020

Please be advised that during the regular meeting of Council on February 4, 2020 the following motion was carried;

**RESOLUTION NO. 2020-058**

**DATE: February 4, 2020**

**MOVED BY: Councillor Prinzen**

**SECONDED BY: Councillor Bailey**

**Council's support for Bill 156, Security from Trespass and Protecting Food Safety Act (enforcement for safety on family farms)**

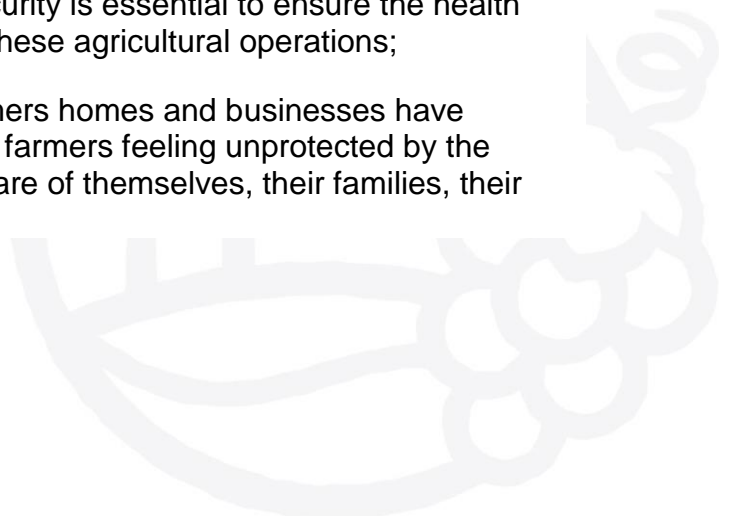
**WHEREAS** the Township of Warwick, and many other municipalities have passed resolutions of support for Bill 156, Security from Trespass and Protecting Food Safety Act;

**AND WHEREAS** agriculture is the second largest industry in Ontario, contributing \$13.7 billion annually to Ontario's GDP and is essential for putting food on the tables of millions of people here and around the world;

**AND WHEREAS** in recent months there has been a steady increase in harassment of farmers and livestock transporters by activists opposed to animal agriculture and the consumption of animals;

**AND WHEREAS** maintaining proper biosecurity is essential to ensure the health and well-being of the animals cared for on these agricultural operations;

**AND WHEREAS** the recent attacks on farmers homes and businesses have resulted in no criminal charges laid, leaving farmers feeling unprotected by the Ontario legal system and afraid for the welfare of themselves, their families, their employees and the animals they care for;



**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**

1. **THAT** the Council for the Corporation of The County of Prince Edward requests that Hon. Doug Downey work with MPP's and agricultural leaders to find a way forward to ensure stronger enforcement of existing laws - or new legislation - to ensure the safety of Ontario's farm families, employees and animals;
2. **AND THAT** this resolution be circulated to Hon. Doug Downey, Attorney General of Ontario; Hon. Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario; Hon. Sylvia Jones, Solicitor General and Hon. Ernie Hardeman, Minister of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs; AMO; and ROMA.



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Mayor

