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April 8, 2024

Honourable Doug Ford  
Via email: [premier@ontario.ca](mailto:premier@ontario.ca)

Dear Premier Ford:

Please be advised that Council of the Corporation of the City of Pembroke passed the following resolution at its meeting of April 2, 2024:

Resolution #012 (April 2, 2024)

Moved by Deputy Mayor Brian Abdallah

Seconded by Councillor Troy Purcell

Whereas the City of Pembroke faces challenges related to limited access to transportation, and there exists a pressing need for a ridesharing service to address transportation gaps within our community; and Whereas rideshare services are increasingly relied upon by seniors, students, visitors, and tourists, and residents looking for safe, affordable, convenient, and reliable ways to travel, and

Whereas the standardization and consistency of regulations across municipalities, particularly in Ontario, can improve the efficiency and effectiveness of the regulatory framework; and

Whereas transferring the responsibility of rideshare regulations and licensing to the provincial level would contribute to a more streamlined and uniform governance structure, while eliminating associated red tape and unnecessary administrative costs.

Therefore, Be It Resolved that the Council of the City of Pembroke formally requests the Government of Ontario to initiate the transfer of responsibilities in the interest of creating a more coherent and standardized regulatory framework for ridesharing services across the province; and

Be It Further Resolved that copies of this resolution be distributed to the Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario; the Honourable Prabmeet Sarkaria, Minister of Transportation; the Honourable Paul Calandra, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing; the Honourable John Yakabuski, Member of Parliament for Renfrew, Nipissing, Pembroke; the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO); the Eastern Ontario Wardens Caucus; Eastern Ontario Mayors Caucus; the County of Renfrew; and all neighbouring County of Renfrew lower-tier municipalities.

Carried

Sincerely,

David Unrau  
Chief Administrative Officer

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