

THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF HALTON HILLS

Resolution No.:

Title: Support for Bill 5, Stopping Harassment and Abuse by Local

Leaders Act

Date: May 8, 2023

Moved by: Councillor C. Garneau

Seconded by: Councillor J. Fogal

Item No.

WHEREAS Bill 5, Stopping Harassment and Abuse by Local Leaders Act, 2022 passed the first reading on August 10, 2022;

AND WHEREAS Bill 5 would amend the Municipal Act, 2001 and the City of Toronto Act, 2006 to

- require the code of conduct for municipal councillors and members of local boards to include a requirement for councillors and members to comply with workplace violence and harassment policies;
- permit municipalities and local boards to direct the Integrity Commissioner to apply to the court to vacate a members seat if the Commissioner's inquiry determines that the member has contravened the code of conduct by failing to comply with the workplace violence or harassment policies;

AND WHEREAS these applications may not be made during regular elections;

AND WHEREAS if a members seat is vacated, the amendments contemplate restrictions on the member's ability to subsequently stand for election and be reappointed to the Council of the municipality or the local board;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Council for the Town of Halton Hills support the passage of Bill 5;

AND FURTHER THAT a copy of this resolution be sent to Ted Arnott, MPP, Michael Chong, MP, Premier Doug Ford, the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, the Association of Municipalities of Ontario and the MPP for Orleans, Stephen Blais.	
	Mayor Ann Lawlor