

Annette Groves Mayor

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Sent via E-Mail: <u>doug.fordco@pc.ola.org</u>

The Honourable Doug Ford Premier of Ontario Premier's Office, Room 281 Legislative Building, Queen's Park Toronto, ON M7A 1A1

RE: RESOLUTION ON PROVINCIAL REGULATIONS NEEDED TO RESTRICT KEEPING OF NON-NATIVE ("EXOTIC") WILD ANIMALS

Dear Premier Ford,

I am writing to advise that at the Town Council meeting held on July 23, 2024, Council adopted a resolution supporting the Town of Smiths Falls regarding Resolution on Provincial Regulations Needed to Restrict Keeping of Non-Native ("exotic") Wild Animals.

The resolution reads as follows:

That the Town of Caledon support the Town of Smiths Falls regarding Resolution on Provincial Regulations Needed to Restrict Keeping of Non-Native ("exotic") Wild Animals and the request to the Province to implement provincial regulations to restrict the possession, breeding, and use of non-native ("exotic") wild animals and license zoos in order to guarantee the fair and consistent application of policy throughout Ontario for the safety of Ontario's citizens and the non-native ("exotic") wild animal population; and

That a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Premier of Ontario, Ontario Solicitor General, Ontario Minister for Natural Resources and Forestry, Honorable Sylvia Jones, Deputy Premier, Minister of Health and MPP Dufferin-Caledon, Town of Smiths Falls, and all Ontario municipalities.

For more information regarding this matter, please contact Catherine Monast, Chief of Staff, directly by email at <u>Catherine.Monast@caledon.ca</u> or by phone at 905.584.2272 ext. 4539.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

Annette Groves Mayor

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Cc: The Honourable Sylvia Jones, Deputy Premier and MPP Dufferin-Caledon, <u>sylvia.jones@pc.ola.org</u> The Honorable Michael Kerzner, Ontario Solicitor General, <u>michael.kerzner@ontario.ca</u> The Honourable Graydon Smith, Minister of Natural Resources and Forestry <u>minister.mnrf@ontario.ca</u> Kerry Costello, Clerk, Town of Smith Falls, <u>kcostello@smithsfalls.ca</u> All Ontario Municipalities

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