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June 03, 2019

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**Re: May 31, 2019 Correspondence  
(Notice of Motion Regarding Access to Cannabis for Medical Purposes)**

Dear Mayor Thompson and Members of Council,

I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for forwarding a copy of your May 31, 2019 correspondence to Mr. Simon Kennedy, Deputy Minister of Health Canada, regarding Council's May 28, 2019 motion regarding Access to Cannabis for Medical Purposes. I sincerely appreciate your office keeping me informed on important issues like this one.

I also appreciated Ward 1 Area Councillor, Ms. Lynn Kiernan, and Ms. Laura Hall, Manager of Regulatory Services, taking the time to meet with me on May 03, 2019, to share the concerns the Town has with respect to the negative impacts the growth and production of medical cannabis for personal use is having on local property owners.

You've taken the appropriate step of forwarding Council's motion to Mr. Kennedy. It is my hope he will seriously consider the motion and that Health Canada will take the necessary steps to ensure that all cannabis producers, regardless of size and scope, be required to follow the same regulations and oversight, as established in the Access to Cannabis for Medical Purposes Regulations, to minimize the impacts such production has on property owners and the community.

Thank you again for keeping me informed.

Sincerely,

  
David Tilson, Q.C., M.P.  
Dufferin-Caledon

c.c. Ms. Marilyn Gladu, M.P. (Sarnia-Lambton) & Shadow Cabinet Minister of Health  
Mr. Ben Lobb, M.P. (Huron-Bruce)

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*Sent via Email and Regular Mail*

May 31, 2019

Mr. Simon Kennedy, Deputy Minister of Health Canada  
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Emailed to: [simon.kennedy@canada.ca](mailto:simon.kennedy@canada.ca)

Dear Mr. Kennedy:

**Re: Notice of Motion Regarding Access to Cannabis for Medical Purposes**

I am writing to bring your attention to an important matter that is creating significant impacts on not only our local community but communities across Canada. Though the Town understands the use of cannabis is an important medical treatment for many citizens, the growing and production of medical cannabis for personal use, as managed by Health Canada, is causing real negative impacts on area property owners. From what we understand about the regulation, licensed producers are required to notify the local municipality of their site and take measures to mitigate impacts on local property owners. Such requirements are not applied to those that produce cannabis for their own medical purposes. We have seen several operations (properties) that have multiple registrations which result in impacts that are similar to a large-scale production site. To ensure the production and right to access cannabis for medical treatment does not infringe on a property owners' rights, we are requesting that Health Canada apply the same requirements and oversight as licensed producers to those that register and are designated to grow cannabis for their own medical purposes. We strongly feel that such oversight will balance the negative impacts currently experienced by such circumstances.

Further to the above concerns, at a Town Council meeting held on May 28, 2019, the following motion was adopted regarding Access to Cannabis for Medical Purposes:

Whereas the production of cannabis is known to create such nuisances related to, but not limited to odour, security, etc.;

Whereas pursuant to the Access to Cannabis for Medical Purposes Regulations, cannabis producers are subject to a license by the Federal Government through Health Canada with the exception of the following:

- an individual who produces cannabis products in Canada for personal use in accordance with the proposed Cannabis Act,

- an individual who under the Controlled Drugs and Substances Act or the proposed Cannabis Act, as applicable, produces cannabis products in Canada for their own medical purposes,
- an individual who produces cannabis products in Canada and who under the Controlled Drugs and Substances Act or the proposed Cannabis Act, as applicable, is a designated person who is authorized to produce cannabis products in Canada for the medical purposes of another individual

Whereas cannabis producers that are subject to a license by Health Canada are required to ensure the premises is secured, the facilities are ventilated, and other measures are in place to limit impacts on the local community;

Whereas cannabis producers that are exempt from a license can essentially produce large scale cannabis operations with little to no oversight by Health Canada and;

Whereas such operations negatively impact area property owners due to the nuisance created by odours, etc.

Now therefore be it resolved that the Town of Caledon send correspondence to Simon Kennedy, Deputy Minister of Health to request that all cannabis producers regardless of size and scope be subject to the same regulations and oversight pursuant to the Access to Cannabis for Medical Purposes Regulations to limit impacts on the community; and

That a copy of the resolution be sent to David Tilson, MP, Dufferin – Caledon.

For more information regarding this matter, please contact Laura Hall, Manager, Regulatory Services directly at 905-584-2272, ext. 4288.

We look forward to your response and working together to address the concerns. Thank you for your attention to this matter

Sincerely,



Allan Thompson  
Mayor

cc. Mr. David Tilson, MP, Dufferin - Caledon

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