



FORTFRANCES

RESOLUTION OF COUNCIL

Monday, March 24, 2025

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**“THAT Council support the Town of Parry Sound resolution no. 2025-018, endorsing the Federal and Provincial call to action to buy Canadian;
AND THAT this resolution be forwarded to Prime Minister Mark Carney, Premier Doug Ford, the Association of Municipalities of Ontario, the Federation of Canadian Municipalities, and all Ontario municipalities”**

Moved by Wendy Brunetta, Seconded by Bill Morrisson Jr, Motion Carried by Council.

WHEREAS United States President Donald Trump, issued executive orders to impose tariffs on imports from Canada effective March 12, 2025; and

WHEREAS these tariffs will have a significant detrimental impact on the economic stability in both countries; and

WHEREAS federal and provincial leaders are encouraging Canadians to buy Canadian; and

WHEREAS municipalities have significant purchasing power through capital and infrastructure programs; and

WHEREAS according to data from the Association of Municipalities of Ontario, Ontario municipalities are expected to spend \$250 to \$290 billion on infrastructure in the next 10 years; and

WHEREAS municipalities have traditionally been prevented by trade agreements and legislation from giving preference to the purchase of Canadian products and services; and

WHEREAS municipalities can assist in the effort to combat tariffs and support businesses in the procurement for capital and infrastructure programs;

NOW THEREFORE be it resolved that the Council of the Town of Parry Sound endorse the federal and provincial call to action to buy Canadian where and when possible; and

THAT the federal and provincial governments work with municipalities on measures to protect Canadian consumers and businesses; and

THAT Council call on the federal and provincial government to remove any impediments to municipalities preferring to engage Canadian companies for capital projects and supplies when appropriate and feasible; and

THAT this resolution be forwarded to Prime Minister Mark Carney, Premier Doug Ford, the Association of Municipalities of Ontario, the Federation of Canadian Municipalities and all Ontario municipalities.