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Coalition Navigation
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To the Coalition for Responsible and Sustainable Navigation Members

Re: Municipal Resolution of Support

The Council of the Township of Perry was provided information on the Coalition for Responsible and Sustainable Navigation whose aim is to amend the *Canada Shipping Act* by introducing a new legislative framework that is science-based.

Perry Township Council agree that harmful effects are being seen on water bodies throughout Ontario and the fact that pleasure crafts are contributing to the negative impact on nature. Council also supports the Coalition's efforts of making changes to legislation that will ensure the protection of water bodies for current and future generations.

It is also agreed that municipalities are restricted in regulating activities on bodies of water, however, small rural governments like Perry Township do not have the means to sustain any enforcement regulations. The draft resolution proposed by the Coalition included the following wording:

WHEREAS other municipalities, regional governments and residents' associations have adopted resolution to modernize the federal legislation concerning pleasure craft to reflect socio-economic factors associated with nautical activities and the delegation of some powers to local governments to better adapt the framework for nautical activities to local realities;

Perry Township Council commend the Coalitions efforts and support amendments to legislation restricting any more damage to our water bodies not only in Ontario but throughout Canada. We cannot support any downloading of responsibilities unless funded indefinitely by the provincial or federal government.

Sincerely,

On Behalf of the Council of the Township of Perry