

July 21, 2025

The Honourable Michael Kerzner Solicitor General of Ontario 25 Grosvenor Street, 18<sup>th</sup> Floor Toronto, ON M7A 1Y6 SENT VIA EMAIL: Minister.SOLGEN@ontario.ca

RE: Request for Financial Support for Implementation of Community Safety and Well-Being Plan

Honourable Michael Kerzner,

Please be advised that at their Regular Council meeting held July 21, 2025, the Council of the Township of North Huron passed a resolution requesting Provincial funding for the long-term implementation and maintenance of the Community Safety and Well-Being Plan for Huron County.

As you are aware, the Province of Ontario has legislated for municipalities to develop, adopt, and undertake periodic updates to Community Safety and Well-Being Plans. These Plans outline strategies and actions to be implemented to improve safety and well-being for everyone in the community. Municipalities have welcomed this shift toward proactive, community-driven models of safety and well-being and we recognize the value of addressing the root causes of crime and social disorder through collaboration with health, education, housing and social services in our communities. However, the increased financial and administrative demands associated with implementing and sustaining these Plans has placed a disproportionate burden on municipal governments, especially smaller and rural municipalities with already limited budgets and staffing capacity.

We appreciate the leadership and vision behind the Community Safety and Well-Being Plans strategy and remain committed to its success. Sustained Provincial support is essential to ensure the successful realization of the intent of these Plans.

Regards,

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