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To whom it may concern:

Re: 2025-25

Please be advised that the following resolution was passed at the January 15, 2025 meeting of the Council of the Municipality of Grey Highlands.

2025-25

That Council receive the Good Road Letter - Establishment of an Ontario Rural Road Safety Program for information; and

Whereas, official statistics from the Government of Ontario confirm that rural roads are inherently more dangerous than other roads; and

Whereas, despite only having 17% of the population, 55% of the road fatalities occur on rural roads; and

Whereas, rural, northern, and remote municipalities are fiscally strained by maintaining extensive road networks on a smaller tax base; and

Whereas, preventing crashes reduces the burden on Ontario's already strained rural strained health care system; and

Whereas, roadway collisions and associated lawsuits are significant factors in runaway municipal insurance premiums. Preventing crashes can have a significant impact in improving municipal risk profiles; now

Therefor be it resolved that the Municipality of Grey Highlands requests that the Government of Ontario take action to implement the rural road safety program that Good Roads has committed to lead. It will allow Ontario's rural municipalities to make the critical investments needed to reduce the high number of people being killed and seriously injured on Ontario's rural roads; and

Further that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to Premier Doug Ford, Hon. Prabmeet Sarkaria, Minister of Transportation, Hon. King Surma, Minister of Infrastructure, Hon. Rob Flack, Minister of Agriculture, Hon. Lisa Thompson, Minister of Rural Affairs, Hon. Trevor Jones, Associate Minister of Emergency

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**Preparedness and Response, and Hon. Sylvia Jones, Minister of Health, and
Good Roads; and
Further that this resolution be circulated to all municipalities in Ontario
requesting their support.
CARRIED.**

If you require anything further, please contact this office.

Sincerely,

Amanda Fines-Vanalstine

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