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November 14, 2025

Via Email:

The Right Honourable Mark Carney Prime Minister of Canada mark.carney@parl.gc.ca

Re: Advocacy for Provincial and Federal Funding to Support Capital Improvements for Royal Canadian Legion Branches

Please be advised that at its meeting held on November 10, 2025, the Council of the Town of Whitby adopted the following as Resolution # 210-25.

Whereas Royal Canadian Legion Branches are organized as not-for-profit corporations, meaning that they are unable to issue tax receipts for donations through their fundraising efforts; and,

Whereas there are 388 Legion Branches located in southern Ontario, many of which require significant capital investment to their facilities to continue to provide valuable community programming and social opportunities for their membership; and,

Whereas Legion Branches are struggling to raise the necessary funds to undertake the capital investments needed to maintain their facilities, thereby jeopardizing their ability to continue to operate; and,

Whereas Royal Canadian Legion Branch 112 Whitby requires a \$15,000 repair to the roof of their facility which is not eligible for insurance coverage. Now therefore, be it resolved:

- That the Council of the Town of Whitby requests that the Provincial and Federal levels of government partner together to create a capital grant program for Royal Canadian Legion Branches to allow these valuable community institutions to complete urgent capital repairs to their facilities; and,
- 2. That a copy of this motion be sent to the Right Honourable Mark Carney, Prime Minister of Canada; the Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario; the Honourable Peter Bethlenfalvy, Minister of Finance (Ontario); the

Honourable Francois-Phillippe Champagne, Minister of Finance and National Revenue; the Honourable Jill McKnight, Minister of Veterans Affairs; the Association of Municipalities of Ontario, the Region of Durham; and all local municipalities in the Region of Durham.

Should you require further information, please do not hesitate to contact the Office of the Town Clerk at 905-430-4300.

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