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August 18, 2010

Tony Clement, Minister of Industry Canada
Industry Canada
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Dear Minister. Clement:

RE: Long Form Census

At the regular meeting of Council held on August 10, 2010, Council passed the following resolution regarding Long Form Census. The following was adopted:

Whereas the Federal Government has made a decision to discontinue the mandatory long form census questionnaire and replace it with a voluntary National Household Survey (NHS) with no prior consultation; and

Whereas the proposed NHS will not provide the level of reliability, validity and defensibility of data that has been provided by the Census Long Form for the past 35 years while rigorously protecting the confidentiality of individual long form responses; and

Whereas reliable census data is required by the Town of Caledon and its partners for conducting essential municipal government functions including planning for and monitoring population and employment growth, transportation and infrastructure planning, economic development, and the provision of services; and

Whereas the Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM) and the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO) have expressed concerns to the Federal and Provincial governments and are encouraging their members to contact the Minister of Industry and their local Members of Parliament and Members of Provincial Parliament; and

Whereas the Region of Peel has expressed concerns in a letter to the members of parliament for areas in its jurisdiction that the voluntary NHS model will significantly impact communities, businesses and people across all Canadian municipalities including the Region of Peel and its area municipalities;

Therefore be it resolved that Caledon request the Federal Government to reverse its decision to discontinue the mandatory long form census through a letter to the Minister of Industry Canada; and

That copies of the letter be forwarded to David Tilson, MP, Honourable Dalton McGuinty, Premier of Ontario, Sylvia Jones, MPP and Region of Peel and that we encourage residents to contact their MP.

Your consideration and support of this request is appreciated.

Yours truly,

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cc: Honourable Dalton McGuinty, Premier
David Tilson, MP
Sylvia Jones, MPP
Carol Reid, Regional Clerk, Region of Peel