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THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF NIAGARA-ON-THE-LAKE

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WHEREAS the Town of Niagara-on-the-Lake community, like other municipalities, faces a myriad of challenges, and By-law Enforcement plays a crucial role in maintaining order, safety, and quality of life for our residents;

WHEREAS the need for responsive by-law enforcement during evenings and weekends has become increasingly evident due to the number of issues that arise outside regular business hours, and prompt responses to these issues are important to address concerns of community members;

WHEREAS the increase in resident concerns and inquiries pertaining to various by-laws has put additional strain on the existing By-law Division;

WHEREAS the Town currently employs four (4) By-law Officers (plus 4 seasonal parking enforcement officers), including one (1) dedicated officer for Short Term Rentals, and this may not be sufficient to meet the Short Term Rental demands or other growing enforcement needs of the community;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT Town Council supports an increase in the number of By-law Officers to better respond to concerns and inquiries and ensure a higher standard of enforcement/service level.

AND FURTHER THAT Staff prepare a business case(s) for inclusion in the 2024 Budget Deliberations.