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Notice of Motion

INTRODUCTION DATE:	April 29, 2025
SUBJECT:	Motion re: International Agricultural Workers (IAW)
REQUESTED BY:	Councillor O'Connor
SECONDED BY:	Councillor Wiens

WHEREAS Public Health Inspectors protect the health and safety of Niagara's International Agricultural Workers (IAW) to ensure compliance with provincial/federal regulations/guidelines and to protect and promote the health and well-being of our IAW; and

WHEREAS the Region of Niagara plans to move towards an approval inspection fee model in 2026 for program cost recovery purposes; and

WHEREAS public health inspection costs are not borne directly by other sectors such as food establishment; and

WHEREAS with the current tariff environment, impacting the security of our food supply network, impacts the stress of sustainability of food production;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Council approve the recommendation of the Agricultural Committee:

"That the Agricultural Committee request Council to inform the Niagara Region that they are opposed to the \$250.00 migrant workers home inspections, and the cost should be borne by the Niagara Region"; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this motion be sent to the Region, the Niagara Area Municipalities and our provincial and federal representatives.