



KENORA DISTRICT MUNICIPAL ASSOCIATION

SUBJECT: Lobby the Federal Government to Reinstate the Northern Allowance

SUBMITTED BY: The Municipality of Sioux Lookout

YEAR: 2024

BACKGROUND:

The Council of The Corporation of the Municipality of Sioux Lookout passed the following at its February 15, 2023 Regular Council Meeting Minutes.

RECOMMENDATION:

WHEREAS the federal government provides financial assistance to those Canadians living in one of two “Zones,” namely, “the Northern Zone” and the “Intermediate Zone” via taxation credits and allowances; and

WHEREAS the Municipality of Sioux Lookout and surrounding areas used to be part of the “Intermediate Zone,” but, this classification was removed a couple of decades ago, and residents in our community and immediate area no longer qualify for the deductions and allowances; and

WHEREAS the cost-of-living in northern, rural communities continues to rise at a significant rate, which, in the last year, has also been compounded by the high rate of inflation, thereby making the cost of living and working in our community even more burdensome;

NOW THEREFORE MAY IT BE RESOLVED THAT the Kenora District Municipal Association petition the federal government to designate the Municipality of Sioux Lookout as a Prescribed Intermediate Zone;

AND FURTHER be it resolved that this correspondence be circulated to the Honourable Eric Melillo, MP, Kenora; the Honourable Sol Mamakwa, MPP, Kiiwetinoong; the Northwestern Ontario Municipal Association; the Township of Pickle Lake; and the Municipality of Red Lake.



COMMITTEE ACTION
CONVENTION ACTION

Concurrence_____

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Concurrence as Amended_____

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Non-Concurrence_____

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KDMA President