



**THE CORPORATION OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF
KINCARDINE**
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DATE: June 23, 2008

The Council of The Corporation of the Municipality of Kincardine has passed the following resolution regarding Physician Shortages in Ontario and is requesting your endorsement

Thank you.

Re: Physician Shortage

Resolution #06/18/08 - 04

Moved by: Larry Kraemer

Seconded by: Ron Hewitt

WHEREAS there is a Physician shortage in Ontario.

AND WHEREAS this Physician shortage is particularly acute in rural and northern Ontario communities.

AND WHEREAS the Physician shortage is predicted to worsen as senior Ontario Doctors retire.

AND WHEREAS the Physician shortage threatens the operation of hospitals and emergency rooms in rural and northern Ontario.

AND WHEREAS there are hundreds of Internationally Trained Medical Doctors and Graduates residing in Ontario who have been denied the opportunity to practice medicine by cumbersome and antiquated medical licensing requirements.

AND WHEREAS these Internationally Trained Medical Doctors and Graduates could be a tremendous asset in providing Healthcare, reducing the number of orphan patients and insuring the provision of emergency room services in Ontario communities.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Municipality of Kincardine supports the recommendations contained in the Report on Removing Barriers for International Medical Doctors by Etobicoke-Lakeshore M.P.P. Lauren Broten, Parliamentary Assistant to the Minister of Health and Long Term Care.

AND FURTHER we encourage the Ontario Legislature to support this important legislation once introduced by Minister of Health George Smitherman as per his June 6/2008 announcement.

AND FURTHER that this resolution be circulated to the Municipalities of Ontario for their support.

Carried.

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