



June 1, 2016

To: Members of Provincial Parliament
Ontario Municipalities

Re: **Support Bill 158, *Saving the Girl Next Door Act, 2016* – (Member Motion)**

Richmond Hill Town Council, at its meeting held on May 24, 2016, adopted the following resolution:

Therefore Be It Resolved that the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Richmond Hill support Bill 158, *Saving the Girl Next Door Act, 2016*, MPP Laurie Scott's motion for a multi-jurisdictional and coordinated task force of law enforcement agencies, Crown prosecutors, judges, victims' services and frontline agencies; and

That a copy of this resolution be forwarded to all Members of the Ontario Provincial Parliament, Ontario municipalities, and the Region of York.

Carried Unanimously

In accordance with Council's directive, please find attached a copy of the Council endorsed member motion.

If you have any questions, please contact the Office of the Clerk at 905-771-8800.

Yours sincerely,

A blue ink signature of Stephen M.A. Huycke, written in a cursive style.

Stephen M.A. Huycke
Town Clerk





MEMBER MOTION

Section 5.4.4(b) of Procedure By-law

Meeting: Committee of the Whole ☐ Council ☒
Meeting Date: May 24, 2016
Subject/Title: Support Bill 158, *Saving the Girl Next Door Act, 2016*
Submitted by: Councillor Karen Cilevitz

Whereas human trafficking is a heinous crime that has been referred to as modern day slavery; and

Whereas traffickers recruit, transport, harbor and control the girl next door for sexual exploitation or forced labour; and

Whereas it is one of the fastest growing crimes that starts and stays in Canada, targeting victims - 90 percent of whom are Canadian-born and predominantly female, averaging the age of 14; and

Whereas Ontario is a major hub of human trafficking in Canada, and victims are lured, manipulated and coerced, often over the internet from every part of Ontario; and

Whereas human trafficking is in our neighbourhoods and our communities;

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That a copy of this resolution be forwarded to all Members of the Ontario Provincial Parliament, Ontario municipalities, and the Region of York.

Moved by: Councillor Karen Cilevitz

Seconded by: Councillor Godwin Chan