

June 22, 2026

Sent Via Email: premier@ontario.ca

The Honorable Premier Doug Ford
Premier's Office
Room 281, Legislative Building, Queen's Park
Toronto, ON M7A 1A1

Dear Honourable Premier Doug Ford,

Re: Declaration of Intimate Partner Violence as an Epidemic

I am writing to advise that at the Regular Council Meeting held on July 8, 2026, Council of the Township of Adjala-Tosorontio adopted a resolution declaring Intimate Partner Violence as an Epidemic.

The resolution reads as follows:

THAT the Deputation from Diane Porteuos, President, CFUW Orillia, regarding Intimate Partner Violence, be received,

WHEREAS more than 4 in 10 Canadian women have experienced some form of intimate partner violence in their lifetime, and 1 in 10 experience it almost daily;

AND WHEREAS the Ontario Provincial Police have determined that in 2024 there was an 18% increase in intimate partner violence victims compared to 2023;

AND WHEREAS North Simcoe Victim Services has had an increase in calls of 64% between 2023 and 2025;

AND WHEREAS My Sister's Place, which serves Alliston and surrounding area, received more than 1,432 crisis calls in 2025;

AND WHEREAS the risk of intimate partner violence is 75% higher in rural communities like Adjala-Tosorontio;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council of the Township of Adjala-Tosorontio declares intimate partner violence as an epidemic;

AND FURTHER THAT the Council of the Township of Adjala-Tosorontio request other municipalities in the County of Simcoe and surrounding areas to declare, if they have not already done so;



AND FURTHER THAT Council of the Township of Adjala-Tosorontio requests the Province of Ontario to declare intimate partner violence as an epidemic;

AND FURTHER THAT a copy of the resolution be sent to the Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario, and all County of Simcoe municipalities.

Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact myself by email at clerk@adjtos.ca or phone at 705-434-5055 ext. 263.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "R. Reid".

Robin Reid
Director of Corporate Services/Municipal Clerk

Cc: Town of Bradford West Gwillimbury
Township of Clearview
Town of Collingwood
Township of Essa
Town of Innisfil
Town of Midland
Town of New Tecumseth
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