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Sent via email: premier@ontario.ca

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**RE: Support for Recommendation #1 of the Renfrew County Inquest Regarding
Intimate Partner Violence**

Please be advised at its Regular Meeting on June 17, 2026, Council of the Township of Springwater passed the following resolution:

Resolution C319-2026

Moved by: Deputy Mayor Cabral

Seconded by: Councillor Ward 2 Alexander

Whereas the 2022 Renfrew County Inquest into the deaths of Carol Culleton, Anastasia Kuzyk, and Nathalie Warmerdam issued 86 recommendations intended to reduce and prevent intimate partner violence in Ontario; and,

Whereas Recommendation #1 of the Renfrew County Inquest calls upon the Province of Ontario to formally declare intimate partner violence an epidemic; and,

Whereas the Ontario Provincial Police reported an 18 percent increase in intimate partner violence victims in 2024, and Simcoe County Violence Against Women agencies received 12,870 crisis calls in 2025; and,

Whereas the County of Simcoe has adopted a resolution declaring intimate partner violence an epidemic and requesting that the Province of Ontario do the same;

Now Therefore Be It Resolved That the Council of the Township of Springwater:

1. Support Recommendation #1 of the Renfrew County Inquest calling upon the Province of Ontario to formally declare intimate partner violence an epidemic; and,

2. Express its support for victims and survivors of intimate partner violence and for the organizations that provide prevention, intervention, shelter, counselling, and support services; and,
3. Direct that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Premier of Ontario, the local Member of Provincial Parliament, the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO), the County of Simcoe, and all municipalities within Simcoe County.

Carried

The original Renfrew County Inquest Jury Recommendations have been enclosed for your review.

Thank you for your attention in this matter.

Kindly,



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