

October 8, 2020

Mayor Marvin Junkin Town of Pelham 20 Pelham Town Square Fonthill, ON L0S 1E0

Request: One-time contribution toward the expansion of Hospice Care and Community Services Across the Region

Dear Mayor Junkin,

Thank you for taking time from your busy schedule to meet with me earlier this week.

As per our discussion, please accept this letter as a formal request submitted by Hospice Niagara, a notfor profit organization that has served the entire Niagara Region for over 27 years. The attached brief supplements this letter, requesting \$85,000 to be paid over a 3-year (or 4-year) period, beginning in 2021 as the Town of Pelham's contribution toward two new Hospice Palliative Care facilities in Fort Erie and Welland.

All Municipalities in Niagara are being asked to support this capital project as one strong voice of support as we advocate for full provincial approval and capital funding toward this project. The Towns of Fort Erie and Wainfleet, along with the cities of Welland, Port Colborne and Thorold are in the process of working with their respective Council to support the same per capita request (\$4.83 per person, according to the 2016 census), as part of their respective 2021 budget process.

I would be available to present at a Council meeting to provide further information and answer any questions, if you determine this request is within the financial ability of the Town's budget.

Pelham's commitment will add strength to Niagara's unified voice, as we advocate for a provincial grant of \$4 million to support this expansion and for compassionate care available to everyone across the Region.

In closing, on behalf of Hospice Niagara Board of Directors, Staff and Volunteers, thank you for your time in championing this request.

Sincerely,

Carol Nagy,

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**Executive Director** Hospice Niagara

CC Amber LaPointe, City Clerk