



**Town of Whitby**  
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Laurie Scott, MPP (Haliburton—Kawartha Lakes—Brock)  
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Re: Bill 158 - Saving the Girl Next Door

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Please be advised that at a meeting held on May 9, 2016, the Council of the Town of Whitby adopted the following recommendation:

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

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

Whereas it is one of the fastest growing crimes that starts and stays in Canada, targeting victims – 90 percent of which 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.

Now Therefore Be it Resolved:

That the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Whitby support Bill 158, Saving the Girl Next Door Act, 2016, support 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 Provincial Parliament, Durham Region Police Service Board and municipalities.

Should you require further information, please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned at 905-430-4302.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Ch. H.", written over a light blue circular stamp.

Christopher Harris  
Town Clerk

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Durham Region Police Service Board  
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