

Whereas the Elected Officials' Expenses Policy allows for the donation of items, services or financial contributions towards specific events, activities, programs or fundraising initiatives of local groups, including organized teams such as music/dance/art clubs and school activity/sport teams to their expense account, to an annual maximum of \$750 per group, exclusive of facility rentals. Donations and/or contributions to community sport teams are not permitted.

AND WHEREAS in 2020, recognizing that community donations would be more important due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the policy was amended to permitted elected officials to use their discretion in using their ward account to support local organizations as required during the COVID-19 pandemic, up to a maximum of \$1,500 per organization for the 2020 calendar year (i.e. until December 31, 2020).

AND WHEREAS the pandemic will unfortunately continue into 2021

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Elected Officials Expenses Policy be further amended to permit elected officials to use their discretion in using their ward account to support local organizations as required during the COVID-19 pandemic, up to a maximum of \$1,500 per organization for the 2021 calendar year (i.e. until December 31, 2021).

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Pat Saito". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial "P" and a distinct "S".