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Resolution Supporting Energy East Pipeline

To whom it may concern:

Please be advised that Council of the Municipality of Greenstone passed the following resolution at its meeting held June 27, 2016:

Resolution 16-140

Moved by: Councillor Lemieux

Seconded by: Councillor McPherson

WHEREAS TransCanada Pipelines Limited has put forward an application to develop the Energy East Pipeline which would convert an existing gas pipeline into oil and construction of new pipeline; and

WHEREAS the Ministry of Energy has mandated the Ontario Energy Board to examine and report to TransCanada Pipelines Limited's project through a consultation process; and

WHEREAS this pipeline would have significant impacts across northern Ontario; and

WHEREAS research has demonstrated that fewer accidents occur while transporting oil by pipeline as opposed to alternate modes of transportation such as road or rail; and

WHEREAS TransCanada has demonstrated their commitment to pipeline safety for communities, residents and employees through safety and preventative maintenance programs; and

WHEREAS the Energy East Project would generate significant economic benefits to Northern Ontario by providing direct and indirect jobs during the six year development and construction phase and during the forty year operations phase; and

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THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Corporation of the Municipality of Greenstone support the development of the Energy East Pipeline; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT this resolution be sent to the Minister of Energy, Minister of Northern Development and Mines, NOMA and the Leaders of the Opposition Parties."

CARRIED.

Should you have any questions or concerns regarding this matter, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Gabrielle Lecuyer".

Gabrielle Lecuyer,
Clerk

cc: Mayor and Council