The Corporation of the Town of Moosonee

P.O. BOX 727, MOOSONEE, ONTARIO, POL 1Y0

RESOLUTION 2024

March 19th, 2024

NO. 2024- # 45

MOVED BY:

SECONDED BY:

Councillor Theresa Chavez	Councillor Theresa Chavez	
Councillor Sheldon Ross	Councillor Sheldon Ross	
Councillor Diane Ryder	Councillor Diane Ryder	
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MOTION:

WHEREAS Canada has 90,000 volunteer firefighters who provide fire and all hazard emergency services to their communities; in addition, approximately 8,000 essential search and rescue volunteers respond to thousands of incidents every year; and

WHEREAS many of these individuals receive some form of pay on call, an honorarium, or are given some funding to cover expenses, but they do not draw a living wage from firefighting; and

WHEREAS without volunteer firefighters and search and rescue volunteers, thousands of communities in Canada would have no fire and emergency response coverage; and

WHEREAS these essential volunteers not only put their lives on the line and give their time, training, and efforts to Canadians, but they also allow cities and municipalities to keep property taxes lower than if paid services were required; and

WHEREAS in 2013, the federal government initiated a tax credit recognizing these volunteer firefighters and search and rescue volunteers;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Corporation of the Town of Moosonee Council request the Government of Canada to increase the tax credit from \$3,000 to \$10,000 for volunteer firefighters and search and rescue volunteers.

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