

2022 NCLGA Resolutions

STABLE FUNDING FOR THE FOREST ENHANCEMENT SOCIETY

Whereas the Forest Enhancement Society of BC is committed to supporting projects that reduce greenhouse gases, protect communities from wildfire, improve wildfire habitat and create jobs;

And whereas uncertainty in funding and resource availability is limiting the Society's ability to plan, support and complete long-term projects that would benefit British Columbia:

Therefore be it resolved that the NCLGA and UBCM lobby the Provincial Government for long-term sustainable funding for the Forest Enhancement Society of BC.

PARENTAL LEAVE FOR ELECTED OFFICIALS

Whereas Section 125(7) of the *Community Charter* and Section 204(2) of the *Local Government Act* exempt elected officials from disqualification due to absences of 60 consecutive days or 4 consecutive regular scheduled board or council meetings, if the absence is due to illness or injury or is with the leave of the council or board, but does not provide an exemption for new parents;

And whereas it is recognized that it is important for new parents to have adequate time and energy to spend with their child:

Therefore be it resolved that the NCLGA and UBCM lobby the Provincial Government to give its urgent attention to the matter of amending the *Community Charter* and *Local Government Act*, to include parental leave provisions that would grant elected officials who are new parents an exemption from being disqualified from office for absences of 60 consecutive days or 4 consecutive regular scheduled council or board meetings.