



MEMBER'S RESOLUTION

Meeting/Date	COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE (2) – May 20, 2020
Title:	Support for the Chief Public Health Officer of Canada
Submitted by:	Councillor Tony Carella

Whereas, the public health system of Canada is the principal bulwark by which the health and safety of Canadians is protected from all manner of health-related threats, both domestic and international; and

Whereas, Dr. Theresa Tam, in her capacity as Chief Public Health Officer of Canada, provides advice to the Minister of Health and the President of the Public Health Agency of Canada, while collaborating with the latter in the leadership and management of the agency; and

Whereas, Dr. Teresa Tam has, over the course of the present COVID-19 pandemic, led Canada's response to this virus in a straightforward, professional, and transparent manner, as appropriate in the circumstances; and

Whereas, Dr. Tam has been the target of unreasonable and unwarranted attacks originating with a member of Parliament (Derek Sloan, Hastings-Lennox & Addington, Ontario), which attacks have questioned her loyalty to Canada; and

Whereas, the nature of the criticism being leveled at Dr. Theresa Tam is not appropriate in Canada at any time.

It is therefore recommended:

- 1. That Council endorse the open letter dated April 29, 2020, from the Confederation of Greater Toronto Chinese Business Association [Attachment 1] on comments made by MP Derek Sloan against Dr. Theresa Tam; and**
- 2. That this resolution be communicated as widely as is reasonable via appropriate means.**

Respectfully submitted,

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Attachment:

1. Letter dated April 29, 2020, from the Confederation of Greater Toronto Chinese Business Association on comments made by MP Derek Sloan against Dr. Theresa Tam.