***Nipissing and Area Food Charter Municipal Endorsement Form***

***Whereas,*** *a food system includes all of the activities related to how food is produced, processed, distributed, accessed, consumed and disposed of;*

***Whereas,*** *food charters are used to highlight collective food-related goals and values of community members, organizations and/or municipalities within a region;*

***Whereas****, the* ***Municipality of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_****recognizes the important role municipalities have in shaping local food systems, given the potential municipal impact of food related initiatives on the health of the population, economic development, preserving the environment, promoting tourism and supporting local producers;*

***Whereas****, the* ***Municipality of\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_*** *believes the Nipissing and Area Food Charter will guide the work related to promoting a healthy, sustainable food system for the region,*

***Whereas,*** *the* ***Municipality of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_****values the pillars of health and wellness, sustainable economic development, social equity, the environment, food literacy, and culture, as* *outlined in the Nipissing and Area Food Charter;*

***Now Therefore Be it Resolved****, that the* ***Municipality of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_*** *endorse the Nipissing and Area Food Charter, and*

***Furthermore Be It Resolved****, that the* ***Municipality of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_*** *will support efforts related to creating public policies and supportive environments that promote a healthy, sustainable food system within the region, and*

***Furthermore Be It Resolved****,* *that correspondence for this endorsement be shared with other municipalities in the Nipissing and Parry Sound districts to encourage support for the Nipissing and Area Food Charter.*