

## **Sample Resolution**

### **Resolution in Support of the Heritage Canada Foundation's call for Federal Tax Incentives for Heritage Properties and officially endorsed by the Federation of Canadian Municipalities.**

**WHEREAS** according to the Heritage Canada Foundation, Canada has lost more than 20% of its pre-1920 heritage buildings to demolition over the past 30 years;

**WHEREAS** the Heritage Canada Foundation has stated that urgent action is needed to stop the demolition of Canadian landmarks, to restore and re-use them, and to acknowledge their value as a reminder of our origins and cultures;

**WHEREAS** heritage buildings are also a valuable economic development resource, supporting re-urbanization initiatives and tourism, stimulating adjacent development, increasing property values, as well as providing environmental benefits by way of reducing landfill, preserving natural resources and promoting sustainability;

**WHEREAS** there are currently no federal financial incentives to encourage private sector investment in the rehabilitation of heritage properties;

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the Corporation of the City of \_\_\_\_\_ endorse resolutions by the Heritage Canada Foundation and the Federation of Canadian Municipalities and request the Federal Ministers of Finance and the Environment to establish tax incentives which would encourage private sector investment in the rehabilitation of heritage properties;

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that this motion be forwarded to local Members of the Legislative Assembly, local Members of Parliament, and area municipalities for their support;

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the [provincial] Association Municipalities support the work of the Heritage Canada Foundation and the Federation of Canadian Municipalities by endorsing this resolution at its Annual Convention.