

Notice of Motion submitted by Councillor Wilder Re: Elimination of Internet Overage Charges

Motion

Whereas there has been a recent and sudden influx in the number of Canadians who are working or attending school remotely;

Whereas access to reliable, high-speed internet is a vital component in enabling Canadians to work and attend school remotely;

Whereas many parts of Canada, especially rural communities, have a limited number of providers to obtain an internet connection from, resulting in a higher cost for service than more urbanized areas, as well as data usage caps and overage fees;

Whereas the recent and sudden influx of Canadians who are working or attending school remotely has necessitated an increase in the amount of data being transmitted through their internet connections, leading to unprecedented overage fees for Canadians that do not have internet connections with unlimited data.

Now Therefore Be It Resolved that the Government of Canada be urged to immediately work with internet connection providers to ensure that all Canadians are paying a fair and similar price for their internet connections, including the elimination of data usage caps and overage fees;

Be It Further Resolved that that a copy of this motion be sent to the Right Honourable Justin Trudeau, Prime Minister of Canada, the Honourable Andrew Sheer, Leader of the Official Opposition, and all MPs in Canada; and

Be It Further Resolved that a copy of this Motion be sent to the Federation of Canadian Municipalities, and all Canadian municipalities for their consideration.