



February 11, 2008

Moved by: Councillor Woodhouse
Seconded by: Regional Councillor Taylor

RESOLUTION R1-2008

WHEREAS it is in the public interest to ensure that access to disabled parking spaces for persons with disabilities is readily available;

AND WHEREAS it would appear that there is a misuse of disabled parking permits and parking spaces;

AND WHEREAS the Provincial Government of Ontario supports quality of life for persons with disabilities through its *Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act* and *Ontarians with Disabilities Act* legislation

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Municipal Council of the Corporation of the Town of Newmarket, and supported by its Accessibility Advisory Committee, as follows:

THAT the Premier of Ontario be requested to take action to eliminate the misuse of disabled parking permits and parking spaces, including but not limited to such actions as:

- Ensure that Justices of the Peace enforce the minimum fines that apply to offenders
- Provide for a two point penalty on the offender's driver's license
- Establish penalties for the misuse of a disabled parking permit including fines and a two point penalty on the offender's driver's license
- Require people who hold a disabled parking permit to obtain a special photo identification card
- Provide for minimum fines for those who block disabled parking spaces (i.e. using disabled parking spaces for snow storage)

AND THAT a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Premier of Ontario for action, the Attorney General, the Lieutenant Governor and to the Association of Municipalities of Ontario for email circulation to municipalities and their Accessibility Advisory Committees requesting their support.

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