## Brandon Houston

Councillor, Town of Collingwood January 23, 2025

To: Sara Almas, Clerk Sonya Skinner, CAO Mayor Hamlin Deputy Mayor Fryer Members of Council Residents of Collingwood

## Subject: Letter of Resignation as Councillor for the Town of Collingwood

Dear Clerk Almas, CAO Skinner, Mayor Hamlin, Deputy Mayor Fryer, Members of Council, and the Residents of Collingwood,

I'm writing to formally tender my resignation as Councillor for the Town of Collingwood, effective immediately. This decision does not come lightly.

Over the last two year I've had the privilege of serving our wonderful community and working with an incredible team of individuals to make decisions that will advance the interests of our town and it's residents. Having the honour of representing the voices of residents has been incredibly rewarding and I'm very grateful for the trust you have placed in me.

As most are aware, three months ago I took a leave of absence for personal reasons. I've taken that time to reflect deeply on my priorities and the demands of this role. Balancing family, a growing business, and the role on Council is incredibly demanding and I have the utmost respect for everyone who sits around that table. I have come to the difficult decision that stepping away from the position is in the best interest of my well-being and my ability to focus on other areas of my life while opening the role to someone who can better represent our residents.

I want to express my sincere gratitude to all of my fellow Councillors, and the dedicated Town staff for their support and collaboration. I have the utmost respect for the work you continue to do. To the residents of Collingwood, thank you for putting your faith in me. It has been an honour to serve you.

Although I am stepping away from this role, I remain committed to Collingwood and will continue to contribute to our community in other ways. This town has been my home for the last 10 years and will continue to be my home.

Thank you once again for the opportunity to serve as your Councillor.

Sincerely,

Brandon Houston Councillor, Town of Collingwood