

THE REGIONAL MUNICIPALITY OF NIAGARA

BY-LAW NO. 19-2008

A BY-LAW TO DISCONTINUE THE FLUORIDATION  
OF THE REGIONAL MUNICIPALITY OF NIAGARA'S  
MUNICIPAL WATER SUPPLY

WHEREAS the Province of Ontario passed the *Regional Municipality of Niagara Act* in 1969 thereby amalgamating the counties of Lincoln and Welland and creating the Regional Municipality of Niagara (the "Region") effective January 1, 1970; and

WHEREAS by By-law 69-9 dated December 19, 1969, the Region met its obligation under section 30(1) of *The Regional Municipality of Niagara Act*, which obliged it to, before December 31, 1969, pass a by-law effective January 1, 1970 "assuming as part of the Regional Waterworks System all works for the production, treatment and storage of water operated by or on behalf of each municipality . . . and all rights and obligations of an area municipality . . . in relation to such works....."; and

WHEREAS effective January 1, 1970, the Region assumed the responsibility for the continuation of the existing water service in Welland, which included the fluoridation of the water in the City of Welland and maintained fluoridation of the water system in Welland until 1999; and

WHEREAS the Region pursuant to section 11(2) of the *Municipal Act, 2001*, the Region has the sole responsibility for the production, treatment and storage of public water in the Regional Municipality of Niagara; and

WHEREAS the Region pursuant to section 2.1(1) of the *Fluoridation Act, R.S.O. 1990, c. F.22*, the Region may pass a by-law to establish, maintain and operate or discontinue fluoridation systems in connection with the waterworks system;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the Regional Corporation enacts as follows:

1. that the Regional Municipality of Niagara immediately discontinue fluoridation of its municipal water supply; and
2. that this By-Law may be referred to as the “Discontinuation of Fluoridation of Drinking Water By-Law, 2008.”; and
3. that this By-law takes effect on the day that it is passed.

THE REGIONAL MUNICIPALITY OF NIAGARA

*Original signed by:*

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(Peter Partington, Regional Chair)

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(Janet Pilon, Acting Regional Clerk)

Passed: February 28, 2008