

WHEREAS the City Council of _____ supports voluntary blood and plasma donation and aims to protect our public collection system, recognizing the importance of safety and security in blood and plasma supply for Canadians, including the citizens of _____; and

WHEREAS Canada's tainted blood scandal resulted in the loss of approximately 8,000 lives, and the subsequent Krever Commission recommended a fully voluntary, non-remunerated blood and plasma donation system; and

WHEREAS Canadian Blood Services (CBS) recently signed a secret 15-year exclusive contract with Grifols Pharmaceuticals, allowing the company to operate paid plasma clinics despite paid blood and plasma collection being prohibited in Ontario; and

WHEREAS CBS's contract with Grifols undermines the Ontario Voluntary Blood Donation Act, 2014, ignores recommendations from the World Health Organization that blood and plasma donation be voluntary, and violates CBS's core duty to safeguard the blood system and voluntary donor base; and

WHEREAS paid plasma collection schemes are known to target and exploit the most vulnerable members of communities;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City of _____ designates itself a "Paid-Plasma Free Zone" and urges CBS to support a fully voluntary blood and plasma collection system;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City of _____ resolves to protect marginalized and vulnerable populations from exploitation resulting from for-profit plasma collection;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution be sent to the CBS Board of Directors, federal, provincial, and territorial Ministers of Health, and the Board of Directors of Grifols, requesting that they respect the City of _____ as a "Paid-Plasma Free Zone" and support only voluntary blood and plasma donation collection.

This resolution reaffirms the principles of voluntary, non-remunerated blood and plasma donation and aims to protect the integrity of Canada's public blood and plasma system.