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Introduction to Associations

Membership in Associations such as the Federation of Canadian Municipalities and the Association of Municipalities of Ontario provides municipalities with a common voice addressing common concerns to the upper levels of government.

The Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM) has assisted municipal governments in maintaining a strong advocacy role in lobbying the federal government to include municipal concerns in policy development and national decision-making. Through their national organization, they made sure the federal government understood the full impact of their decisions on municipal governments and taxpayers. Year after year, FCM's work has benefitted each and every municipal government and taxpayer in Canada. FCM has been the national voice of municipal government since 1901. FCM is dedicated to improving the quality of life in all communities by promoting strong, effective and accountable municipal government.

The Association of Municipalities of Ontario develops policy positions and reports on issues of general interest to municipal governments; conducts ongoing liaison with provincial government elected and non-elected representatives; informs and educates governments, the media and the public on municipal issues; markets innovative and beneficial services to the municipal sector; and maintains a resource centre on issues of municipal interest. The Association's Annual Meeting is held in August and is combined with a comprehensive conference program.

L'Association Française des Municipalités de l'Ontario is an organization which boasts a membership of more than forty Ontario municipalities which asserts the rights of francophone taxpayers for the management and provision of municipal services in the french language.

The object of the Association of Mining Municipalities is to make a concerted effort in promoting the position of mining municipalities and to assist in the advancement of the mining industry in Ontario, and Canada, to benefit the mining communities involved.

The Federation of Northern Ontario Municipalities` mandate is to work together for the betterment of municipal government in Northern Ontario and to strive for improved legislation respecting local government in the north.

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COUNCIL MEMBERS	NON-COUNCIL MEMBERS	TERM ENDING	RESOLUTION #
Councillor Dupuis		September, 2004	2003-676

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Councillor Reynolds			

Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO)

The Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO) is a non-profit organization with member municipalities representing 95% of Ontario's population. The Association has a variety of services and products available to members and non-members.

The mandate of the organization is to support and enhance strong and effective municipal government in Ontario. It promotes the value of the municipal level of government as a vital and essential component of Ontario`s and Canada`s political system.

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Councillor Craig		August, 2006	2005-330 (CC)

Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM)

The Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM) has been the national voice of municipal government since 1901. FCM is dedicated to improving the quality of life in all communities by promoting strong, effective and accountable municipal government.

The FCM National Board of Directors sets policy priorities which reflect the concerns of Municipal, Affiliate and Associate Members. The National Board of Directors meets quarterly and appoints members to Standing Committees as required to develop policy positions on key national municipal issues. The FCM Annual Conference provides member delegates the opportunity to debate and vote on policy matters for the coming year.

FCM's National Board of Directors comprises elected officials from all regions and sizes of communities to form a broad base of support and provide FCM with the clout to carry the municipal message to the federal government.

All positions on the FCM's National Board of Directors are filled by election on an annual basis, with the exception of those designated for Affiliate Members and the immediate past president.

The president, first vice-president, second vice-president and third vice-president are elected at large. The position of immediate past president is an automatic succession. Eighteen members of the Board are designated by Affiliate Members and 48 members are elected by their respective provincial or territorial caucuses.

COUNCIL MEMBERS	NON-COUNCIL MEMBERS	TERM ENDING	RESOLUTION #
Councillor Kett		May, 2006	2005-233 (CC) – endorses the nomination of Councillor Terry Kett as a Director for the Board of the Federation of Canadian Municipalities for the term 2005-2006.

Federation of Northern Ontario Municipalities (FONOM)

FONOM's mandate is to work together for the betterment of municipal government in Northern Ontario and to strive for improved legislation respecting local government in the north.

COUNCIL MEMBERS	NON-COUNCIL MEMBERS	TERM ENDING	RESOLUTION #
Councillor Bradley		Nov 30, 2006	2003-625 (CC)