## United Counties of Stormont, Dundas & Glengarry

MOVED BY Councillor Gardiner RESOLUTION NO 2021-150

SECONDED BY Councillor Durand

**DATE** June 21, 2021

WHEREAS the Federal government has passed a motion to adopt 988, a National three-digit suicide and crisis hotline:

**RESOLUTION** 

AND WHEREAS the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic has increased the demand for suicide prevention services by 200 per cent;

AND WHEREAS existing suicide prevention hotlines require the user to remember a 10digit number and go through directories or be placed on hold;

AND WHEREAS in 2022 the United States will have in place a national 988 crisis hotline:

AND WHEREAS the Council of the United Counties of Stormont, Dundas and Glengarry recognizes that it is a significant and important initiative to ensure critical barriers are removed to those in a crisis and seeking help.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the United Counties of Stormont, Dundas and Glengarry endorses this 988 crisis line initiative;

AND THAT Staff be directed to send a letter indicating such support to the local MP, MPP, Federal Minister of Health, the CRTC and local area municipalities to indicate our support.

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