WHEREAS the Kenora District Municipal Association (KDMA) supports the provincial government's commitment of sharing mining resource revenues with Indigenous communities to promote economic development opportunities to build healthy and prosperous communities across Ontario's north; and

WHEREAS since January 1996, member municipalities have been advocating for mining resource revenue sharing, as an alternative means for municipalities to generate revenue for community development and sustainability; and

WHEREAS the mining industry is a significant economic driver in Ontario, providing over 1,600 direct jobs in the community of Red Lake alone, and of those direct jobs, nearly \$500 million in income tax dollars has been collected by the Provincial and Federal governments over the last ten (10) years; while earnings for the Red Lake mining industry, for the same period, were over \$3.6 Billion US; and

WHEREAS municipalities whose economies rely on the mining resource industry are struggling to pave their streets and maintain infrastructure, but cannot continue to burden their residential and commercial taxpayers by paying more in property taxation; and

WHEREAS the KDMA is not requesting the mining industry pay more in taxation, but rather the Provincial government share the revenues it receives from the mining industry;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Kenora District Municipal Association hereby requests the Provincial government share the benefits of mining and other natural resource revenues.

**CARRIED** 

President