The Corporation of the City of Port Colborne

By-Law No. <u>7158/100/23</u>

Being a by-law to Authorize Civil Marriage Solemnization Services and to Appoint Marriage Officiants for the Corporation of the City of Port Colborne

Whereas Ontario Regulation 285/04 provides the authorization of the City Clerk to solemnize marriages with the authority of a marriage licence; and

Whereas the Council of the Corporation of the City of Port Colborne deems it desirable to provide Civil Marriage Solemnization Services;

Now therefore the Council of The Corporation of the City of Port Colborne enacts as follows:

- 1. That the Council of the Corporation of the City of Port Colborne direct that Civil Marriage Solemnization Services be implemented.
- 2. That the City Clerk and the Chief Administrative Officer be authorized as Marriage Officiants to perform civil marriages on behalf of the Corporation of the City of Port Colborne pursuant to Ontario Regulation 285/04 made under the *Municipal Act*.
- 3. That the City Clerk and the Chief Administrative Officer, at their discretion, solemnize civil marriages at times and locations which are agreeable to both parties.
- 4. That the detailed fee structure for civil marriage services form part of the City's Fees and Charges By-Law.

5. **General Provisions**

- 5.1 If any provision of this By-Law is found by any court or tribunal of competent jurisdiction to be illegal, in whole or in part, the balance of the By-Law shall not be affected and shall remain in full force and effect.
- 5.2 If there is a conflict between a provision of this By-Law and a provision of any other By-Law of the city, the provision that establishes the higher standard shall prevail.

5.3 Any reference to legislation in this By-Law includes the legislation and any amendment, replacement, subsequent enactment, or consolidation of such legislation.

Enacted and passed this 24th day of October 2023.

William C. Steele

Mayor

Saima Tufail Acting City Clerk