



300 Dufferin Avenue  
P.O. Box 5035  
London, ON  
N6A 4L9

**London**  
CANADA

January 30, 2012

His Worship the Mayor  
and Members of Council

**Re: Emergent Motion for January 31, 2012 Council Meeting  
International Development Week**

---

Since 1987, the Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM) has been a valued partner, together with the Canadian International Development Agency and member municipalities (one being the City of London) in strengthening the effectiveness and focus of Canada's international aid. This year FCM celebrates 25 years of mobilizing the expertise of Canadian municipalities to support local governance, democratic practices, and the provision of essential services in 43 developing countries--and counting.

Given the correlation between the FCM's efforts over the last 25 years in the area of international development, and the fact that during the first full week in February each year the Government of Canada celebrates Canada's contribution to international development and its commitment to improving the quality of life in various communities around the world, we would respectfully request that the following resolution be considered at the January 31, 2012 Council meeting relative to next month's International Development Week:

**Moved by Councillor Usher and seconded by Councillor Baechler:**

"That the following resolution be adopted by the Municipal Council and forwarded to the appropriate Provincial Government officials:

WHEREAS Canadians significantly help improve the quality of life in various communities around the world by their involvement as international development stakeholders, volunteers, and supporters;

AND WHEREAS throughout 2012, the Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM) will celebrate 25 years of mobilizing the expertise of Canadian municipalities to support local governance, democratic practices, and the provision of essential services in 43 developing countries, and counting;

AND WHEREAS since 1987, the Federation of Canadian Municipalities has been a valued partner, together with the Canadian International Development Agency and member municipalities, in strengthening the effectiveness and focus of Canada's international aid;

AND WHEREAS during the first full week of February each year, the Government of Canada celebrates Canada's contribution to international development and its commitment to improving the quality of life in various communities around the world;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that:

- a) the week of February 5-11, 2012, **BE CELEBRATED** as "International Development Week" in the City of London;
- b) the Federation of Canadian Municipalities **BE RECOGNIZED** for its contribution over the past 25 years as a Canadian and world leader in international municipal development; and,

- c) the citizens of London **BE ENCOURAGED** to become informed about international development, to show their solidarity with developing countries, and to continue to support Canadian municipalities' international community-building efforts."

Thank you for your consideration of this motion.



Harold Usher  
Councillor, Ward 12



Joni Baechler  
Councillor, Ward 5