Bill No. 2021 By-law No. PH.-____

A by-law to repeal By-law No. PH-20 being "A by-law to temporarily require the use of face coverings within enclosed publicly-accessible spaces in the City of London".

WHEREAS on July 21, 2020, the Government of Ontario ("Province") enacted Bill 197 "An Act to amend various statutes in response to COVID-19 and to enact, amend and repeal various statutes on an ongoing basis outside an emergency declared pursuant to the *Emergency Management and Civil Protection Act*, R.SO. 1990, c.E.9" ("EMCPA") in response to the outbreak of COVID-19;

AND WHEREAS, on the advice of the Medical Officer of Health, the Municipal Council enacted on July 21, 2020, By-law PH-20 being "A by-law to temporarily require the use of face coverings within enclosed publicly-accessible spaces in the City of London" to be in effect until December 31, 2020 or until the provincial regulations related to this matter made under the EMCPA are revoked:

AND WHEREAS the Province subsequently passed Ontario Regulation, O. Reg. 364/20, as amended by O.Reg. 546/20, which sets out rules requiring any person, while indoors, to wear a mask or face covering;

AND WHEREAS the Municipal Council deems it appropriate to repeal the By-law PH-20, as the By-law is no longer required given that Provincial regulations are in place with respect to this matter;

NOW THEREFORE the Municipal Council of The Corporation of the City of London enacts as follows:

- 1. That By-law No. PH-20 being "A by-law to temporarily require the use of face coverings within enclosed publicly-accessible spaces in the City of London" is hereby repealed.
- 2. This by-law comes into force on the day it is passed.

PASSED in Open Council on the 12th day of January 2021.

Ed Holder Mayor

Catharine Saunders City Clerk

First reading – January 12, 2021 Second reading – January 12, 2021 Third reading – January 12, 2021