THE CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF KENORA

BY-LAW NUMBER 100 - 2009

A BY-LAW TO ESTABLISH AN EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT PROGRAM FOR THE PROTECTION OF PUBLIC SAFETY, HEALTH, THE ENVIRONMENT, THE CRITICAL INFRASTRUCTURE AND PROPERTY, AND TO PROMOTE ECONOMIC STABILITY AND A DISASTER-RESILIENT COMMUNITY.

WHEREAS the Province of Ontario has passed an Act, which requires the development and implementation of an emergency management program (short title *The Emergency Management Act*) by the Council of a municipality; and

WHEREAS this Act requires the emergency management program to conform to standards promulgated by Emergency Management Ontario in accordance with international best practices, including the four core components of emergency management, namely: mitigation/prevention, preparedness, response and recovery and also makes provision for the municipality and council to develop and implement an emergency management program to protect public safety, public health, the environment, the critical infrastructure and property, and to promote economic stability and a disaster-resilient community; and

WHEREAS this Act makes provision for the Head of Council to declare that an emergency exists in the community or in any part thereof, and also provides the Head of Council with authority to take such action or make such orders as he/she considers necessary and not contrary to law, to implement the emergency management plan and respond to an emergency; and

WHEREAS the Act provides for the designation of one or more members of council who may exercise the powers and perform the duties of the Head of Council during his/her absence or his/her inability to act; and

WHEREAS the Act authorizes employees of a community to respond to an emergency in accordance with the emergency management plan where an emergency exists but has not yet been declared to exist;

NOW THEREFORE the Council of the Corporation of the City of Kenora hereby enacts as follows:

- 1. THAT an Emergency Management Program be developed and implemented in accordance with the standards published by Emergency Management Ontario in accordance with international best practices;
- 2. THAT the Head of Council or designated alternate, as provided in the plan, be empowered to declare an emergency and implement the emergency management plan;
- 3. THAT certain appointed officials or their designated alternates, as provided in the approved community emergency management plan are empowered to cause an emergency notification to be issued to members of the Community Control Group and to respond to an emergency in accordance with the

emergency management plan where an emergency exists but has not yet been declared to exist;

- 4. THAT the Emergency Management Program Committee will cause the emergency management program to be reviewed annually and to recommend changes to the program as considered appropriate and refer recommendations to Council for further review and approval;
- 5. THAT the Council of the Corporation of the City of Kenora hereby adopts the City of Kenora Emergency Management Plan dated April 2009 in accordance with the terms and conditions therein;
- 6. THAT this by-law comes into force and takes effect upon third and final reading;
- 7. THAT By-law Number 112-2004 is hereby repealed.

BY-LAW read a First & Second Time this 13th day of July, 2009

BY-LAW read a Third & Final Time this 13th day of July, 2009

THE CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF KENORA:

Joanne L. McMillin