

## MOTION

No. 77

### **Keeping ATVs off the Confederation trail**

Peter Bevan-Baker gives notice that he will move, seconded by Karla Bernard, the following motion:

**WHEREAS** the Confederation Trail is widely considered to be a provincial treasure, unique in Canada in that it spans almost the entire province from tip to tip;

**AND WHEREAS** the Confederation Trail is the central active transportation spine of our province, to which many other active transportation trails connect;

**AND WHEREAS** there are multiple benefits, including environmental, health and wellness, and economic, to developing a comprehensive, interconnected active transportation network across our entire province;

**AND WHEREAS** the area of experiential tourism is growing rapidly;

**AND WHEREAS** Prince Edward Island is already being recognized around the world as an ideal place to enjoy such experiential vacations with people being attracted by the peace and tranquility found on the Confederation Trail as it is currently utilized;

**AND WHEREAS** Tourism PEI specifically recognizes the attributes of developing tourism related to active transportation, saying in their most recent strategy: "... develop and execute a holistic walking and biking trail strategy .. with the outcome of an increased number of visitors whose main activity is experiencing walking and/or biking trails, with the additional revenue from longer haul travelers with significant 30+ nights stays";

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that this Legislature express its support to maintain the Confederation Trail in its current form, as it was originally intended;

**AND THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that this Legislature urge government not to grant access to any part of the Confederation Trail for All Terrain Vehicles, other than at already designated crossing points.

Signed by: Peter Bevan-Baker

Signed by: Karla Bernard

Date: November 16, 2023