

MOTION

No. 8

Motion to establish Prince Edward Island as a cycling destination

Peter Bevan-Baker gives notice that tomorrow he will move, seconded by Ole Hammarlund, the following motion:

WHEREAS tourism has suffered disproportionately more than any other sector during the pandemic;

AND WHEREAS Prince Edward Island already has many of the attributes necessary to market the province as a cycling destination, such as the Confederation Trail and a growing network of mountain biking trails;

AND WHEREAS cycling and active transportation have been identified as important opportunities in our tourism future;

AND WHEREAS the Tourism Industry Association of Prince Edward Island lists experiential tourism, which includes cycling and other active pursuits, as a key future tourism prospect for our province;

AND WHEREAS substantial federal funding is currently available for low carbon initiatives such as infrastructure projects related to cycling;

AND WHEREAS building our provincial economy utilising climate-friendly opportunities will continue to establish us as a progressive and sustainable destination at a time when people are specifically seeking that out;

AND WHEREAS there are significant economic benefits derived from visitation related to cycling;

AND WHEREAS improvements to active transportation infrastructure will not only assist tourism, but will have significant benefits for Prince Edward Island residents;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislative Assembly urge government to promote Prince Edward Island as a cycling destination;

THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Legislative Assembly urge government to expand and accelerate infrastructure investments in order to create a comprehensive bicycle path system for Prince Edward Island.

Signed: Peter Bevan-Baker

Signed: Ole Hammarlund

Date: 26 February 2021