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BY-LAW NO. 2020-XX

A by-law of the City of Ottawa to authorize the use of an alternative voting method for the 2020 municipal by-election in Ward 19.

WHEREAS the *Municipal Elections Act, 1996*, subsection 42(1)(b) provides that the Council of a local municipality may pass by-laws authorizing the use of an alternative voting method, such as voting by mail, that does not require electors to attend a voting place in order to vote;

AND WHEREAS the *Municipal Elections Act, 1996* subsection 42(5) provides that when a by-law authorizing the use of an alternative voting method is in effect, that section 43 (advance vote) and section 44 (voting proxies) shall only apply if the by-law so specifies;

AND WHEREAS due to the ongoing COVID 19 pandemic, the City of Ottawa deems it in the interest of the City to pass a by-law to authorize electors to use an alternative voting method, being a special paper ballot which may be returned by mail and does not require electors to attend a voting place in order to vote;

THEREFORE the Council of the City of Ottawa enacts as follows:

1. The Council hereby authorizes electors to use an alternative voting method for the 2020 Ward 19 municipal by-election, being a special paper ballot established by the City Clerk which must be returned to the Elections Office by 4:30pm on October 5, 2020.
2. The City Clerk shall determine the dates, hours and locations during which the advance vote is held and shall establish the criteria for voting proxies to authorize proxy voting at a voting place but not proxy voting for the special paper ballot.

ENACTED AND PASSED this 15 day of July, 2020.

CITY CLERK

MAYOR

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Enacted by City Council at its meeting of July 15, 2020

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COUNCIL AUTHORITY:
City Council July 15,2020