

BY-LAW NUMBER 19-2012

OF

THE REGIONAL MUNICIPALITY OF DURHAM

BEING a By-law to authorize the direct election of the Regional Chair pursuant to section 218 of the *Municipal Act, 2001* and Ontario Regulation 3/12, filed January 10, 2012.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ENACTED AND IT IS HEREBY ENACTED as a By-law of The Regional Municipality of Durham through its Council as follows:

1. The composition of Regional Council shall include a Regional Chair who shall be elected by general vote of all the electors of all of the lower-tier municipalities.
2. The election of the Regional Chair shall be conducted in accordance with the *Municipal Elections Act, 1996* and shall be held concurrently with the regular election in the lower-tier municipalities.
3. The composition, election, term and/or appointment of Regional Council shall remain in all respects as it was the day before the coming into force of this By-law, except as specifically provided for in Paragraphs 1 and 2 of this By-law.
4. This By-law shall come into force on the day the new Council is organized following the first regular election following the passing of this By-law.
5. Notwithstanding Paragraph 4 of this By-law, the regular election held immediately before the coming into force of this By-law shall be conducted as if this By-law were already in force.
6. The short title of this By-law is the "Regional Chair Election By-law".

By-law read and passed this 4th day of April 2012.

R. Anderson, Regional Chair and CEO

P.M. Madill, Regional Clerk