

CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF RENFREW  
BY-LAW NO. 20-2007

Being a by-law to provide for the closing of retail  
business establishments in the Town of Renfrew  
and to repeal By-law No. 26-98.

**WHEREAS** pursuant to Section 148 (1) of the *Municipal Act, 2001*, a local municipality may require that retail business establishments be closed to the public at any time; and

**WHEREAS** in the absence of a by-law passed by a regional municipality under Section 148 (3) of the *Municipal Act, 2001*, the *Retail Business Holidays Act, R.S.O. 1990*, shall govern shop closings on all holidays as defined within this act; and

**WHEREAS** the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Renfrew is desirous to regulate the hours of closing of retail business establishments within the Town of Renfrew.

**NOW THEREFORE** the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Renfrew enacts as follows:

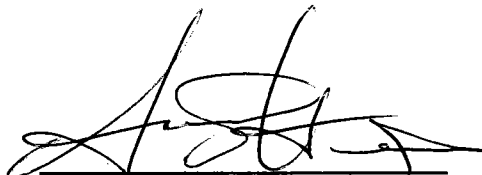
1. **THAT** all retail business establishments within the Town of Renfrew shall during the whole year close:
  - a) **on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday** of each week no later than 10:00 p.m. on each of such days and shall remain closed until at least 5:00 a.m. of the day next following each of such days, and
  - b) **on Saturday** of each week no later than 6:00 p.m. and shall remain closed until at least 10:00 a.m. on the Sunday following, and
  - c) **on Sunday** of each week no later than 6:00 p.m. and shall remain closed until at least 5:00 a.m. on the Monday following.
2. **THAT** notwithstanding Clause No. 1, any retail business establishment may, between December 1<sup>st</sup> and December 31<sup>st</sup> each year, remain open between the hours of 5:00 a.m. and 12:00 midnight. This exemption does not apply to Sunday within the prescribed time period, where the hours of closing outlined in Clause No. 1(c) shall prevail. The provisions of the *Retail Business Holidays Act, R.S.O. 1990*, shall continue to govern all holidays during this time period.
3. **THAT** notwithstanding Clause No. 1, at all times of the year with the exception of the period described in Clause No. 2, any retail business establishment may, on any day of the week, until 12:00 midnight, hold a special promotional sale provided that:
  - a) such special promotional sale is approved by resolution of Council, and
  - b) the total number of such special promotional sales approved for any one shop or retail establishment shall not exceed two (2) in any one week or five (5) in any one year.
4. **THAT** the following retail business establishments listed below shall be exempt from Clause No. 1 at all times of the year. This exemption shall apply only to premises where the activity listed below is the primary activity.
  - a) Drug stores/pharmacies
  - b) Retail gasoline outlets
  - c) Convenience/confectionery stores provided that the gross floor area does not exceed 2,400 square feet

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- d) Video rental/sales establishments
  - e) Laundromats
  - f) Antiques/Handicrafts
  - g) Nursery Stock or Flowers
  - h) Fresh Local Produce
  - i) any establishment offering goods or services for sale in the form of or in connection with preparing meals or living accommodation
  - j) any establishment offering for sale by retail, liquor under the authority of a licence or permit issued under the Liquor Licence Act
5. **THAT** every person who contravenes any of the provisions of this by-law is guilty of an offence and on conviction is liable to a fine of not more than One Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$100,000.00), exclusive of costs.
6. **THAT** when a person has been convicted of an offence under this by-law;
- a) the Ontario Court of Justice, or
  - b) any court of competent jurisdiction thereafter may, in addition to any other penalty imposed on the person convicted, make an order prohibiting the continuation or repetition of the offence by the person convicted.
7. **THAT** Town of Renfrew By-Law No. 26-98 is hereby repealed in its entirety.
8. **THAT** this By-law shall come into force and take effect immediately upon the passage thereof.

Read a first and second time this 30<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2007.

Read a third and final time this 30<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2007.



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Sandra J. Heins, Mayor



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Kim R. Bulmer, Clerk