CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF RENFREW
BY-LAW NO. 54-98

Being a By-law to regulate the operation of motorized snow vehicles within the Town of Renfrew, to repeal By-law No. 13-98, and to amend By-law No. 17-82

WHEREAS Section 7(2) of the Motorized Snow Vehicles Act, RSO 1990, c.M.44, authorizes councils of municipalities to pass By-laws regulating, governing, or prohibiting the operation of motorized snow vehicles within the municipality including any highway or any part or parts of any highways therein; and

WHEREAS the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Renfrew enacted By-law No. 17-82 on the 5th day of April, 1982 pursuant to Section 210 (132) of the Municipal Act, RSO 1980, Chapter 302 to prohibit noises deemed likely to disturb the inhabitants of the municipality; and

WHEREAS the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Renfrew enacted By-law 13-98 on the 23rd day of February, 1998 to regulate the operation of motorized snow vehicles in the Town of Renfrew; and

WHEREAS Council now deems it appropriate to amend By-law No. 17-82 as hereinafter set forth.

WHEREAS Council also deems it expedient to repeal By-law No. 13-98 in its entirety and replace it with a new by-law to regulate the operation of motorized snow vehicles in the Town of Renfrew.

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

1. THAT By-law 13-98 be and is hereby repealed in its entirety.

2. THAT By-law No. 17-82 be amended by adding a new section 2. (f) as follows:

"the sound or noise from or generated by the operation of motorized snow vehicles between the hours of 24:00 and 07:00, Saturday and Sunday excluded. This prohibition shall not apply to the noise generated by the operation of snowmobile trail grooming equipment."

3. THAT for the purposes of this By-law, the following definitions are applicable:

a) "highway" includes a common and public highway, street, avenue, parkway, driveway, square, place, bridge, viaduct or trestle, any part of which is intended for or used by the general public for the passage of vehicles and includes the area between the lateral property lines thereof.

b) "roadway" means the part of the highway that is improved, designed or ordinarily used for vehicular traffic, but does not include the shoulder or sidewalk, and, where a highway includes two or more separate roadways, the term "roadway" refers to any one roadway separately and not to all the roadways collectively.

c) "motorized snow vehicle" means a self-propelled vehicle designed to be driven primarily on snow.
d) "snowmobile route" means a route established and maintained with the consent of the land owner, for the travel and use of motorized snow vehicles.

4. THAT motorized snow vehicles may be operated on or across all roadways in the Town of Renfrew, with the exception of Raglan Street South between Munroe Avenue and Opeongo Road, provided such use is solely for the purpose of accessing the closest established snowmobile route in the most direct manner.

5. THAT no person shall operate a motorized snow vehicle within the Town of Renfrew at a speed in excess of 50 kilometres per hour, subject to Clause No. 6 below.

6. THAT motorized snow vehicles traveling on the municipally-owned recreational trail described as Parts 1 and 6, Reference Plan No. 13574, Parts 7, 11, and 15, Reference Plan No. 13575, Part 1, Reference Plan No. 13576, and those lands being part of the former CNR right-of-way as acquired by the Town of Renfrew by Instrument No. 0416007 which lands lie between Lochiel Street South on the westerly limit and the intersection of Coulombes Lane and the said former CNR right-of-way on the easterly limit shall not exceed a speed of 40 kilometres per hour.

7. THAT no person shall operate a motorized snow vehicle within the Town of Renfrew between the hours of 24:00 and 07:00, Saturday and Sunday excluded. This prohibition shall not apply to the operation of snowmobile trail grooming equipment.

8. THAT any person who contravenes any of the provisions of this By-law is guilty of an offence and upon conviction is liable to a fine of $150.00 for the first offence and $250.00 for each subsequent offence, exclusive of costs, recoverable under the provisions of the Provincial Offences Act.

9. THAT this By-law shall be reviewed by October 1, 1999.

10. THAT this By-law shall come into force and take effect immediately upon the passage thereof.

Read a first and second time this 9th day of November, 1998.

Read a third time and finally passed this 9th day of November, 1998.

[Signatures: Howard K. Haramis, Mayor; Timothy J. Simpson, Clerk]