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Township of Georgian Bay

## **Media Statement**

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Mayor Peter Koetsier is delighted to announce a \$900,000 or 45% of project cost stimulus from the Federal Department of Innovation, Science, and Economic Development.

The \$900,000 or 45% of the total project costs is for the construction of new docks and a pedestrian promenade along Delawana Road in Honey Harbour.

The funding is for the following portions of the Honey Harbour Waterfront Plan project:

- A 35 m long, 7.5 m wide large craft dock at the end of Delawana Road with a pedestrian access gangway;
- A small vessel floating dock facility approximately 50 m long and 3.5 m wide with finger docks on both sides and a pedestrian access gangway;
- A pedestrian promenade along Delawana Road including a hard surfaced walkway and lighting;
- Rehabilitation of the beach/parkette at the intersection of Honey Harbour Road and Delawana Road including grading, plantings, lawn furniture, and a dedicated picnic area.

### Project Funding

The project is estimated to cost \$2,000,000. The funding sources are as follows:

<b>Source</b>	<b>Amount</b>
Federal Department of Innovation, Science and Economic Development	\$900,000
Eastern Ontario Development Fund	\$400,000 (in application)
Delawana Resort	\$400,000
Township	\$300,000
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$2,000,000</b>

## Strategic Goals

### Establish Cohesive Communities

Create a unified municipality that celebrates its unique communities and cultural differences facilitated by strong municipal leadership and open communications.

### Sustainable Economic Development

Foster a strong and stable year-round economy that capitalizes on seasonal populations, tourism, commercial demand, and supports entrepreneurship and local businesses.

### Economic Development Strategy

Enhance the Honey Harbour Waterfront for the enjoyment of both visitors and residents, seasonal and permanent.

### Quote from Mayor Peter Koetsier:

“The Honey Harbour Waterfront Plan is a community based project. The ideas, the concepts, the people behind the design? All Honey Harbour.

Countless hours of community consultation and engagement with our residents has brought us to where we can again be excited about the opportunities in Honey Harbour. Our school is healthy, enrollments are happening again, community hubs are developing, businesses are growing and our connections to our marinas are stronger than ever.

We are excited about this plan and what it means to business, and what it means to our residents. Honey Harbour is a place to call home, and just as important this community is excited to welcome you to the National Park, to our island communities, to our waterways, and to our businesses.”

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