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Rose Caterini, Hamilton City Clerk  
Hamilton City Hall, (1<sup>st</sup> floor)  
71 Main Street. West,  
Hamilton, Ontario.

Dear Ms. Caterini,

I write on behalf of the Hamilton Presbytery of the United Church of Canada. The Presbytery has asked me to convey to the Hamilton City Council that the Presbytery opposes any new casino development in the City of Hamilton.

The Presbytery has also asked me to convey to Hamilton City Council that the Presbytery is committed to debate with the proponents of the proposed new casino development in the city, the ethics by which proponents argue that a casino is good for the citizens of Hamilton.

One of our members will be in touch with you shortly to follow up on this offer to the Council to engage in this debate.

Hamilton Presbytery is comprised of lay people and ministers from United Churches within the City of Hamilton and some outlying rural areas. The Presbytery has support and supervision responsibilities for the life and witness of its member congregations. In total, the Presbytery has support and supervision responsibilities for 40 United Church congregations in the area.

Please convey our perspective to the Council.

Yours truly,

(Rev.) Ross Hibberd,  
Secretary of Hamilton Presbytery,  
The United Church of Canada.