CITY OF HAMILTON NOTICE OF MOTION

MOVED BY COUNCILLOR M. GREEN.....

SAFER CITY INITIATIVE - GUN AMNESTY AND BUYBACK PROGRAM FOR UNWANTED AND ILLEGAL FIREARMS

WHEREAS, reducing violent crime and enhancing community safety is a priority for the City of Hamilton;

WHEREAS, there has been a spate of recent brazen violent crimes including but not limited to a midday shooting on Sunday May 17, 2015;

WHEREAS, a 2014 gun amnesty program organized by the Hamilton Police Service saw 374 guns and almost 20,000 rounds of ammunition turned in to police; and

WHEREAS, in the year 2000, a gun buyback program in Toronto turned in 2,000 illegal and unwanted firearms to police;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:

That the Hamilton Police Service be requested to report back to the General Issues Committee on the feasibility of a gun amnesty and buyback program for unwanted and illegal firearms owned by residents living in the City of Hamilton.