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Attn: City Clerk Hamilton City Hall 71 Main St W Hamilton, ON L8P 4Y5

Fax: 905-546-2095

Dear City Clerk,

Please find attached the letter and signatures expressing the concern local residents have with the Mountsberg Solar Project. We are concerned with the short time lines, the lack of information provided at the information meeting.

We do not want the Council to provide a letter of support, when good, productive farm land is being considered. We have a lot of questions unanswered.

Barbara Laking

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Mountsberg Solar Project

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Dear Mr. Pasuta, Ms. Partridge, Mayor and Councillors

We are <u>not</u> in favour of the solar farm as described in the Mountsberg Solar Project in the Town of Flamborough. Protecting & preserving the valuable farmland is of paramount concern to the neighbours in the project locale, many being long time residents with farms being in the families for many, many generations. Protecting this viable farmland honours these past generations & those to come.

The lands under question are currently being farmed by local farmers with crops growing there right now. The land commitment to the Mountsberg Solar Project is long-term with 25 year (with an optional additional 20 years) so there will be not chance of reversing these actions for the next two and a half decades.

"Farmers feed cities" and farmers need farms! ANY degradation of farmland is just wrong paralleling Mr. Pasta's words "it's just wrong to take up farmland". As caretakers of the land and environment as a whole we have future generations to consider with the decisions we make today. Let's not let our shortsightedness be a decision we live to regret.

Given the process under the IESO's (Independent Electricity System Operator) Large Renewable Procurement(LRP) final assessments from the Ministry of the Environment (MOE) & Ministry of Natural Resources (MONR), etc. not be forthcoming until *after* the City of Hamilton would be providing a letter of support to Samsung. This is NOT a transparent process for those living within the project locale.

The Mountsberg Solar Project Site Considerations Background Report states numerous plant & animal species that are within 120 metres of this project, not to mention the affects on the surrounding water sources and human species. The concerns of the ALL landowners, neighbours & friends of all those involved in this process, especially those residing close need to given the utmost consider or this so called community engagement is a farse!

We do not support this installation and our signatures below reflect this.

CC: Mayor Eisenberg Ted McMeekin

*NB For those wishing to email the City of Hamilton directly these are the persons recommended <u>Rose.caterini@hamilton.ca</u> <u>Janet.pilon@hamilton.ca</u> <u>Robert.pasuta@hamilton.ca</u> <u>judi.partridge@hamilton.ca</u>

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