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Mayor Fred Eisenberger  
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I am calling on the leadership of this municipality to declare Hamilton to be a clothing optional city. Hamilton needs to stand against the federal policy of segregation against us nudists, relegating us to out of the way nudist beaches and resorts for those of us with money. Hamilton doesn't even have a nudist beach anyway, and we have nowhere to go. We should be integrated into the mainstream of Hamilton society.

Sections 173 and 174 of the Criminal Code are "Jim Crow" laws, nudity is a victimless crime. The mere sight of a person's genitals harms no one. Are some people offended by the sight of a human nude? I respond that no one has the right not to be offended.

I ask you to try to understand; to be forced to wear clothes against our will is to be forced to wear the chains of slavery.

Declaring Hamilton a clothing optional city will give us nudists a place to live our lives openly, not in the closet, and will put Hamilton on the front lines of civil society's struggle to advance the cause of inclusiveness for minority groups.

Yours truly,

Donald Vermithrax