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Mr. Fred Eisenberger, Mayor, and all of the City Council Members.
Hamilton City Council
71 Main St. W.
Hamilton, Ontario.

August 19, 2016

Dear Mr. Mayor and Council Members,

We are writing to you and the entire Council to express our support for the planned future LRT system for our city.

There are many hurdles to deal with as the project is reviewed and it is very important that you and your members know that we, as a part of the business community, value this new method of transportation throughout our community.

There is a lot at stake here, not to mention the 1 Billion dollars that Ontario is putting into our hands to make the project viable. I would hazard a business guess that once the first phase is completed we will very quickly be asking Ontario for more financial assistance to expand the system to our mountain residents and the airport. Our airport needs a lot of help, and with the future plans already in place for this economic engine, rail transport will make an even greater difference. It has in every major city. Within the next 10 years the footprint for servicing this airport will expand two fold, if not more.

FELLFAB Limited employs nearly 200 people in Hamilton and as you know the transportation sector is an important component of our revenue. Companies such as Bombardier, MetroLinx, and all the rail and aviation operators across North America are important customers to us. I am sure the city would be pleased to know that these companies are spending money in our city.

When you look out to the other major LRT cities in Canada and the USA it is absolutely amazing how they have expanded and have come to accept this form of transportation positively. Vancouver is a perfect example. Hamilton now has a population of almost 550,000 people and the number will advance during the installation of this project.

You are planning the future of Hamilton over the next 20 years with a project like LRT, looking backwards at what we had and have is not the answer. As a member of the business community with 64 years of corporate life, experiencing changes that have been made to date, we urge you to take this major step and keep Hamilton a viable place to live and grow in the future.

Respectfully submitted.

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