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Dear Mayor and Council,

I am writing to ask you to please reverse the GIC decision and uphold the unanimous LRT Sub-Committee vote to add an additional LRT stop on King St at Bay St.

It should be easy to support this recommendation:

- it has the strong support of the local business community, as represented by the Hamilton Chamber of Commerce.
- the cost (\$2.6 million) is a negligible 0.25% of the total \$1 billion project and would be paid by the Province, not the City.
- it would add less than a minute to the total travel time.
- it would stimulate the local economy by attracting new investment and new development to the adjacent under developed parking lots.

This development alone will generate hundreds of thousands of dollars in new property tax revenue for the City and bring economic vitality, jobs and new residents.

There is simply no good case for opposing this additional stop.

Even if you have doubts about the LRT project, please help ensure it generates the largest benefit for the city. If it is going to happen, we need to make sure it is the best project possible.

Yours sincerely

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