



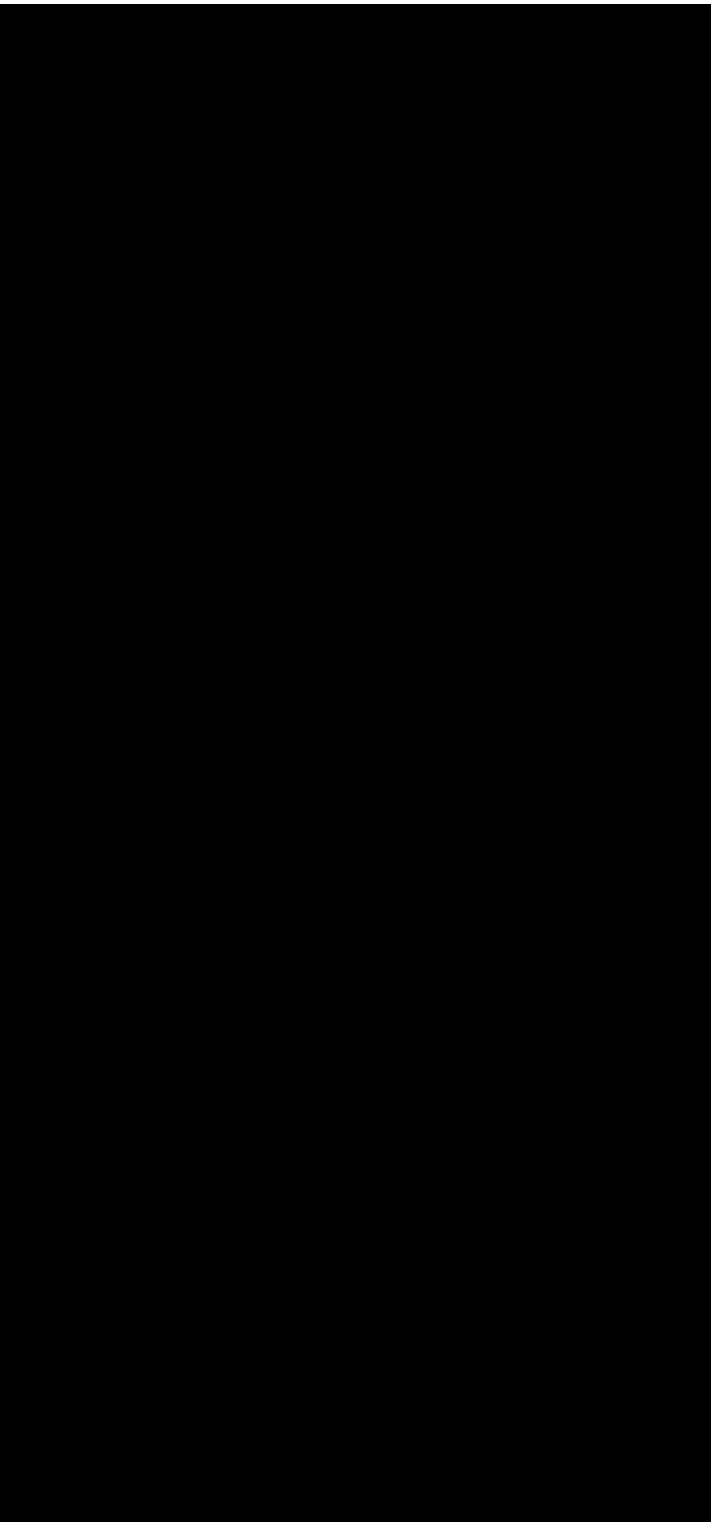
Petition to enact a landlord licensing system for large apartment buildings in Hamilton

We believe that the tenants in the City of Hamilton have a right to safe and healthy housing. Too often tenants in market rental apartment buildings are forced to pay high rents while receiving apartment conditions that violate the city's property standard laws.

Common violations include: Cockroach infestations; broken elevators; water damage and mold, damaged kitchen and bathroom cabinets

We call on the City of Hamilton to enforce property standards by adopting a licensing system for apartment buildings over ten units in size. This would:

- Create a proactive system of enforcement to ensure that all apartment units are up to code
- Create a dedicated revenue stream that the city can use to hire bylaw enforcement officers by charging the landlord a nominal annual fee for each apartment unit they own.
- Give the city a systematic way to ensure that ALL residents in Hamilton have access to basic health and safety standard in their homes.



The petition contains 225 signatures

A copy of the petition is available for viewing in the Office of the City Clerk