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NO to Proposed Public Unassumed Alley Closure - Dundas

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To: VanderBeek, Arlene; clerk@hamilton.ca

Subject: Re: NO to Proposed Public Unassumed Alley Closure - Dundas

To: Hamilton City Council

Re: Proposed permanent closure and sale of a Public Unassumed Alley between Sydenham Road, Cross St., Alma St. and Victoria St., Dundas

Dear Members of Council,

I am very disappointed to hear of the closing is the Alley. Growing up in Dundas I used this alley on a daily basis on my way to St Augustine's school from my home on King Street. It is part of the local landscape and culture of the area.

More importantly, now as a parent living in the area I find it's closing could to lead to some significant safety issues, especially for children as they will be forced to walk beside a very busy road (Sydenham). It is evident that the city has recognized that it is a dangerous road due to some of the barriers and stop signs that have been put up in recent months to try and slow traffic down. These items however will not decrease the increases vehicular traffic that has been going up Sydenham over the years. The closing of the alley will now result in higher pedestrian (much of which would be children) traffic on Sydenham. If a risk assessment were to be completed on this, the results would clearly show an increased risk of someone being hurt.

I hope my plea, and that of the many other concerned citizens is heard, and that a "NO" is on the proposed alleyway closing, or at the very least, look at the potential public safety issues this raises before making this decision.

Thank you, Dominik Roos