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Subject: NO MANDATORY MASK BYLAW

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To: Wilson, Maureen; Office of the Mayor; clerk@hamilton.ca

Cc: Ferguson, Lloyd; Pauls, Esther

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Good afternoon Mayor Eisenberger and Councillor Wilson,

As a Hamilton resident, I am writing you to please consider not following the senseless decisions of some of the other municipalities in the GTA and Ontario. Please DO NOT implement a mandatory mask bylaw. Residents are finally starting to feel hopeful that the worst of this pandemic is behind us, and there is absolutely no science that shows that wearing masks will help to stop the spread of COVID-19.

I have seen such a negative response to the mandatory mask bylaws from friends, family, and acquaintances and I fear that this will greatly harm our small businesses, as many people will turn to online shopping rather than supporting their local business in order to avoid wearing a mask. This is not a speculation, I have already seen this response from friends and family who live in Mississauga and Toronto.

I am also including the city clerk in this email, as I would like this letter considered as council debates the by law.

Sincerely,

Ana Banjavcic