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Mayor and Council of the City of Hamilton
c/o Hamilton 2026 Commonwealth Games Bid Corporation
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Dear Mayor Fred and Councillors,

We at Hamilton Challenger Baseball were privileged to see a presentation by Greg Maychak regarding the vision of the Hamilton 2026 Commonwealth Games Bid Corporation. It is extremely encouraging to see this opportunity at our doorstep that has potential to be an amazing event in our community and will leave a legacy that will benefit Hamiltonians in countless ways for decades.

2020 is HCBA's 30th year, we provide athletic and social activities for 220 special needs participants. Along with our house league sports activities, we participate in tournaments and host a variety of social activities for participants, volunteers, families, and friends. HCBA leaders are responding to the trend for increased involvement and the need for awareness, support and sustainability for sports and rec programs, including Para Sports, for people with disabilities in Hamilton.

We feel that the timing of the Commonwealth Games' bid for Hamilton aligns well with our vision and are even more pleased with the prospect of the games moving up 4 years to 2026. We are willing to jump on board and offer support and assistance with sports for people with disabilities. Interestingly, we may very soon be extending our program at Westmount Rec Center to include Paralympic Boccia along with additional Paralympic sports where leadership, volunteers and financial support is available.

Thank You to the Hamilton 2026 Commonwealth Games Bid Corporation for their inspiring vision! The event would provide tremendous benefits to Hamilton, the birthplace of the Commonwealth Games, and to the Province. The games could also contribute to current sports & rec initiatives in our City as we recover from COVID-19, as well as to Hamilton's long-term agenda. Together, we are HAMILTON STRONG.

We wish the Hamilton 2026 Commonwealth Games Bid Corporation much continued success.

Sincerely,
Mike Moore

Board Chairman - Hamilton Challenger Baseball
Director - Hamilton Accessible Sports Council

HCBA provides the opportunity for challenged youth and adults to enjoy the physical and social benefits and the challenges of participating in team sports at recreational or competitive skill levels

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