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To: clerk@hamilton.ca

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Dear Mayor Eisenberger:

I am concerned with the disproportionate funding of police services by the City of Hamilton. I fully support the demonstrators' demands to reallocate funds from the police budget, and I expect that you meet with the demonstrators at City Hall to discuss how you will implement their demands.

I believe, at a minimum, the HPS surplus should be immediately reallocated towards safe housing for people who are houseless over the winter. An immediate moratorium should be placed upon any further increases to the HPS budget. An external task force should be established to investigate responsible means in dramatically reducing the HPS budget, and funding for the task force should come from the existing HPS budget.

As a mayor who is proud to be a Hamiltonian, I would be very surprised if you did not see the value in these demands.

Sincerely, Gillian Kearns Concerned Citizen