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**Subject:** Complaint letter

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**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca); Office of the Mayor <[mayor@hamilton.ca](mailto:mayor@hamilton.ca)>

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I have lived in Hamilton for the past 8 years. I am a Governor General Award nominee playwright. I have been absolutely horrified to learn about the arrests of a queer supporter (who wasn't even at Gage Park for Pride) was the very first person to be arrested in connection with the incident at Pride, while the anti-LGBTQ haters were free to continue their hateful tirade in Toronto this past weekend.

This is NOT acceptable, and this is NOT in line with the feelings of the general public in Hamilton.

I am ashamed of our city and police force. I am ashamed that my queer friends no longer feel safe in their own city because the mayor and police in their own city are showing more support to right wing fascist homophobic people!

People have been looking to Hamilton with awe and hope and are now completely horrified by the actions of the police and yourself. Do not continue to harm the good reputation of Hamilton due to the artists that have moved to this city.

I expect you to remedy this matter immediately.

Best,

Anna