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Subject: Urban Sprawl and Hamilton

Dear Mayor and counsellors,

Below is a standard letter drafted by CAPE, the Canadian Association of Physicians for the Environment.

Beyond what it says in the letter, please note that the increasing sprawl causes the permanent destruction of so much natural or farmed land, increasing land fragmentation, biodiversity impacts, energy needs material impacts, and climate change. As we have greater needs than ever to protect the Canadian and global environment, sprawl creates one of the most egregious and irreversible impacts.

Keep Hamilton beautiful and let us work together to protect the remaining environment rather than radical economic growth.

Best wishes

Dr. Tushar Mehta