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From: Han Godin

Sent: June 25, 2021 5:13 PM

To: clerk@hamilton.ca

Subject: I support #HealthEquityHamOnt

Dear Clerk - City of Hamilton Clerk's Office,

Cc: City Council Cc: Dr. Richardson

Cc: Members of Provincial Parliament

I am a concerned resident, residing in the City of Hamilton. I am writing to you to support the local call to restructure Hamilton's Board of Health to include members of the public and health leaders from the following equity-seeking groups, including but not limited to; women, people with (in)visible disabilities, Indigenous peoples, low-income communities, Black and Racialized communities, 2SLGBTQ+ and newcomer communities.

In March you heard from a hand full of community members and health experts speaking to reforming the Board of Health. At that meeting, you voted to receive a Board of Health Report on governance reform on June 14th, 2021. We hope after receiving the report you will consider adopting changes as we have seen in Toronto and Ottawa. The Toronto and Ottawa Boards both have elected officials and community health experts.

By adopting this systemic change to the Board of Health we will ensure better health outcomes for residents particularly the most vulnerable.

Thank you for your time.

Sincerely, Han Godin