

CITY OF HAMILTON
NOTICE OF MOTION

Council: December 15, 2021

MOVED BY MAYOR F. EISENBERGER.....

Support of legal challenge to Bill 21 in the Province of Quebec

WHEREAS Fatemah Anvari recently lost her position as teacher in the province of Quebec for being found to be wearing a hijab in class;

WHEREAS under Quebec’s Bill 21 frontline civil servants who display religious symbols while working can be fired or reassigned;

WHEREAS it is noted that Bill 21 violates the basic principles of the Canadian Charter of Rights and Freedoms;

WHEREAS this is a clear demonstration of Islamophobia and poses a threat to the freedoms of many within the Province of Quebec;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:

That the City of Hamilton join the efforts of cities across Canada to mount a legal challenge to Bill 21 in the Province of Quebec, and that staff be directed to look at all means available to provide support to this legal challenge.