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To whom it may concern,

As a resident of Hamilton, I am writing this letter to advocate for continued action by the city to support the protection of farmland and wild spaces. As the pressure mounts from the provincial government to make different choices, please continue to advocate for building choices that minimize their impact on the environment.

If a decision is made to make new homes, please make communities that can be self-sufficient and not more suburban sprawl. Milton is an example of what happens when this is not taken into consideration. It used to be a beautiful place and now it's sprawl. Research has also shown that communities that are designed that are walkable and conducive to connection are better for our focus and our mental health. <https://johannhari.com/> - has multiple books and research on this factor.

I also support building within the urban boundary to support the businesses within the city of Hamilton and re-energizing these areas.

Thank you,

Juanita Lepage