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Apparently there are a few incompetent Airbnb operators whose partying/holidaying guests regularly violate Hamilton bylaws, disturbing neighbours with noise, trash, etc. The City of Hamilton must address these owners through Bylaw enforcement with property owners. Also, there is a Airbnb 'Neighbourhood' phone number anyone can use to alert Airbnb to such incompetent hosts, who can be sanctioned and possibly removed from the Airbnb platform. These are tools already available to the City that have not yet been properly utilized.

That has NOTHING to do with me and my Airbnb guests, who are all courteous, conscientious people working/doing placements or studying in Hamilton for a few months. My guests are ... law students articling with Hamilton law firms, immigrant doctors recertifying to practice in Canada, med students in placements at hospitals, mature professionals taking specific work related courses at Mohawk College, international grad students arriving for their first semester at McMaster, and a whole variety of other mature professionals. They all work hard and I hardly hear them in the house. However, the changes proposed *will penalize me* greatly and unnecessarily, while NOT even solving the City's problem with a few incompetent hosts and unruly guests!

I am *outraged* that the City is taking this harsh but totally useless approach that penalizes good hosts and guests, instead of using the means already available through Bylaw and Airbnb to address the few problem hosts and guests.

I would be happy to see the City use its existing resources to develop a plan to deal with the few problems that reflect on all of us, while ensuring that the vast majority of good hosts and welcome guests are not impacted unnecessarily.

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