



HAMILTON100

2030 COMMONWEALTH GAMES

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June 23, 2022

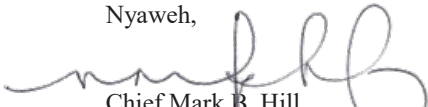
To Whom It May Concern,

The Six Nations of the Grand River Elected Council is pleased to support Hamilton100 in bringing the Commonwealth Games back home to its birthplace for the centenary Games in 2030. Members of the Six Nations, the City of Hamilton and members of the Hamilton100 Bid Team have worked together on past initiatives. We are confident that the partnerships being established will result in meaningful impact that will create memorable experiences for athletes and visitors as well as legacies for the children and families of Six Nations and beyond.

We are supportive of the Indigenous Partnership Framework that is being developed as part of the Bid and we look forward to continuing to work in alignment with the Bid Committee and all stakeholders in the planning and delivery of the Games. We are also in support of the proposed sport and venue plan that would see Lacrosse, our Creator’s game, played as a full medalled event for the first time in Commonwealth Games history. We acknowledge that Commonwealth Games Federation have committed to Indigenous Reconciliation initiatives which were included in the 2018 Gold Coast Games and will also be a part of the 2022 Birmingham Games.

The Six Nations of the Grand River is committed to pursuing business development and tourism initiatives that will support our local economy, as well as health and wellness programming that will positively impact our next generation of children and families. Our Elected Council welcomes the opportunity to work with Hamilton100 in hosting the 2023 Commonwealth Games.

Nyaweh,


Chief Mark B. Hill
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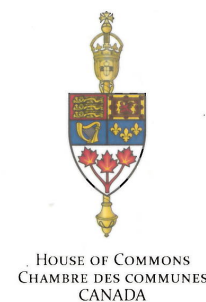


LETTERS OF SUPPORT

Hamilton100's bid is supported by a broad range of business, community and sport organizations, and more than a dozen Ontario municipalities. Many of these have provided Letters of Support for our bid, copies of which can be viewed in the pages that follow.

Filomena Tassi, MP	Hamilton-Wentworth Catholic District School Board
ArcelorMittal Dofasco	Hamilton-Wentworth District School Board
Badminton Ontario	Hammer Waterpolo Club
Canada Basketball	Hillfield Strathallan College
Canadian Elite Basketball League	IBI Group
Canadian Warplane Museum	Industry-Education Council of Hamilton
CANUSA Games	International Children's Games Hamilton
Charity of Hope	McCallum Sather Architects
City of Burlington	McMaster University
City of Kitchener	Mohawk College
City of St. Catharines	National Cycling Centre of Hamilton
City of Toronto	Niagara 2021 Canada Summer Games
City of Waterloo	Niagara Region (12 Mayors)
Crescent Cricket Club of Hamilton	Ontario Amateur Wrestling Association
Flamborough Connects	Ontario Cycling Association
Golden Horseshoe Aquatics Club	Pier 8 Group
Golden Horseshoe Athlete of the Year	Redeemer University College
Hamilton Accessible Sports Council	Rick Hansen Foundation
Hamilton Athletic Trust	Roselawn Bowling Club
Hamilton Challenger Baseball	SportHamilton
Hamilton Chamber of Commerce	Stoney Creek Athletics
Hamilton East Kiwanas Non-Profit Homes	The Hamilton Spectator
Hamilton Health Sciences	
Hamilton Olympic Club	YWCA Hamilton
Hamilton Oshawa Port Authority	2gen.net
Hamilton Sports Hall of Fame	
Hamilton Volleyball	

Hamilton100 has also received personal letters of support from a number of prominent individuals, including Al Irwin, Cody Chambers, Elicia Zebroski, Fred Buzzelli, John Clinton, Samuel Sumo, Stephanie Davies, Stephanie Card, Thanh Campbell, Therese Quigley and Elizabeth Vieweg.



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Monday February 10, 2020

To Whom it May Concern:

I am writing in relation to Hamilton100's proposed bid to host the 2030 Commonwealth Games.

I note, with considerable interest, that the Commonwealth Game Federation's vision is centred on building peaceful, sustainable and prosperous communities globally through the building of coalitions between athletes, citizens and communities that are innovative, bold, relevant and resonant. I understand that the Hamilton100 bid is heavily focussed on advancing this agenda through the creation of a variety of coalitions which may include the Government of Canada, along with other communities in Southern Ontario and beyond. Additionally, other coalition partners, would, in partnership with the Games, explore aligning and better co-ordinating resources and initiatives centred on a number of the United Nation's Sustainable Development Goals ("SDG") within our communities, including health (SDG3), education (SDG4), gender equality (SDG5), economic growth (SDG8), sustainable communities (SDG11), and peace (SDG16) thereby working to affirm that partnerships (SDG17) are a crucial aspect of the 'means of implementation.'

This resolve aligns with many of the commitments and aspirations of the Government of Canada and I look forward to consulting with you and other stakeholders with a view to determining how we can advance this compelling vision for our communities in the award of the Games in Hamilton in 2030.

Sincerely,

Hon. Filomena Tassi, P.C., MP
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November 7, 2019

P.J. Mercanti
HAMILTON100 President
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Dear Mr. Mercanti,

The first ever Commonwealth Games, hosted in Hamilton 89 years ago, were a landmark event for the city, of which we can all be proud. In that same year, citizens and civic leaders welcomed McMaster University to the city of Hamilton. Our shared history with the Games is one of the many reasons we are proud to lend our support to bringing them back home to Hamilton in 2030.

As you know, McMaster hopes to be a key partner in hosting the 2030 Commonwealth Games. We are able to provide a potential site for the athlete's village and offer use of our world class athletic facilities, including the Ron Joyce Stadium and Track.

McMaster has devoted the expertise of key staff to supporting Hamilton's bid and we look forward to working in partnership as we enter the next phase and assemble the details of the city's bid.

Thank you for your continued leadership as we seek to bring the Commonwealth Games to Hamilton in 2030.

Sincerely,

David Farrar
Acting President and Vice-Chancellor



Redeemer
University

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March 23, 2022

Dear Hamilton Commonwealth Games Committee:

Please consider this letter as an expression of Redeemer University's strong support for Hamilton's Commonwealth Games bid.

Redeemer has been privileged to be part of the Hamilton community for almost 40 years now. With more than 1000 students studying in over 30 different majors and streams, we see tremendous opportunity for collaboration between the University and the Games, for the benefit of our students, community, city, and region.

Hamilton gave birth to the Games a century ago, and we see the 2030 effort as a unique opportunity to bring them back on their centenary. We are grateful to all of those who have put so much time, energy, and passion into this project, and are proud to lend our support.

Yours sincerely,

Dr. David Zietsma
President





| OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT |

February 12, 2020

Dear Hamilton100 Committee:

Mohawk College is pleased to support a bid to host the 2030 Commonwealth Games in Hamilton. Returning the Commonwealth Games to Hamilton would be a historic moment for the city and shine a spotlight on a community that has grown and flourished since the games were first held here 100 years ago.

As a leader in providing experiential and work-integrated learning opportunities to students, Mohawk College sees this as an extraordinary opportunity for our students and graduates to play an active and significant role in a historic event. From the planning and preparation, to the games themselves, Mohawk students and graduates would benefit from the many opportunities an event of this size and significance would create. Likewise, the community would benefit from being able to leverage the talent and abilities of our students and graduates to ensure the games are a success for Hamilton.

As a college that is deeply committed to providing students with an exceptional education and the region's employers with the skilled and talented workforce they need, we would be proud to support a bid for Hamilton to host the 2030 Commonwealth Games.

Regards,

Ron J. McKerlie
President



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Office of the Head of College
Marc J. Ayotte, B. Comm. (Hons.), B.Ed., M.Ed.

February 25, 2020

To Whom It May Concern;

Please accept this letter in support of Hamilton 100's build to have the 2030 Commonwealth Games in Hamilton, Ontario.

As a proud partner of the City of Hamilton since our inception in 1901, Hillfield Strathallan College prides itself on sharing many of the same ideals as the Commonwealth Games and would love to have the opportunity help welcome all of the athletes to our city.

Hillfield Strathallan College has become a leader in the development of Physical Literacy in children from 18 months to 18 years, with the goal of developing young adults who see fitness, nutrition and overall wellbeing as a daily initiative. Having the inspiration of world-class athletes competing at the highest level in this region would be an unforgettable experience for all of our students.

I believe that the passion of the Hamilton 100 group speaks volumes about the effort that they would put forward to make the 100th anniversary of the Commonwealth Games a fittingly memorable one. I support their bid 100%

Yours truly,

Marc Ayotte
Head of College



Manny Figueiredo
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November 4, 2019

As a learning institution, Hamilton-Wentworth District School Board (HWDSB) believes in fostering curiosity, creativity and possibility for its students. We do this so that local youth can learn and grow to their full potential in a diverse world.

It is in this spirit that we offer a letter of support for the Hamilton 100 bid to host the 2030 Commonwealth Games. This promises to be an exciting milestone for our community, marking the 100th anniversary of the games, first hosted in Hamilton in 1930.

Much has changed since 1930, but we also continue to see the legacy of the Commonwealth Games in our local facilities, sports history and sense of community pride. Hosting the games in 2030 would be a way for community partners to continue their city-building efforts, always ensuring that our community is inclusive and welcoming for all.

My colleagues and I at HWDSB look forward to working with the Hamilton 2030 bid team to make this dream a reality. This work would align with our continuing efforts to build positive cultures in our schools, to foster student well-being through mental and physical wellness, to revitalize our facilities and to work with partners to offer supports and programs outside of the traditional classroom.

The 2030 Games would be a one-in-a-lifetime opportunity for our students and staff, to volunteer, compete, host and connect with an international audience.

Thank you for considering the Hamilton 2030 bid, and appreciating why HWDSB lends its support to the effort. I look forward to collaborating so that we can enhance our city, our educational landscape and our partnerships in the years ahead.

Sincerely,

Manny Figueiredo
Director of Education

curiosity • creativity • possibility



Hamilton-Wentworth Catholic District School Board
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Chairperson of the Board
Mr. P.J. Daly

November 7, 2019

Mr. P.J. Mercanti
President
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Dear Mr. Mercanti:

We are pleased to support the Hamilton 2030 Commonwealth Games bid. This bid represents a unique opportunity for our city and more specifically, the students who attend our schools.

In examining the development of possible plans for the Games and bid related programs that bring our students into the multi-faceted sport, cultural and social aspects of the Commonwealth Games, one aspect that stands out is the importance of the legacy of these Games to our students and to our city. This will be an unmatched learning and life experience. We look forward to partnering with you to bring our students and our community the opportunities that the Hamilton 2030 Commonwealth Games will afford.

As a bid partner, we look forward to helping bring the Commonwealth Games back home to Hamilton.

Yours very truly,

Patrick J. Daly
Chairperson of the Board

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February 6, 2020

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RE: Hamilton bid for the 2030 Commonwealth Games

To Whom It May Concern,

The Industry Education Council of Hamilton is committed to fostering partnerships among industry, business, education and other community groups in Greater Hamilton, to support experiential learning opportunities for all learners. We understand the importance of collaborative partnerships in achieving successful learning outcomes for our youth and we commit our efforts to achieving this goal.

The 2030 Commonwealth Games marks a milestone for both the games and Hamilton, the city where the first-ever version of the games were held in 1930, then known as the British Empire Games. Reflecting about the past, with a vision to the future provides powerful learning for our young people who will be tomorrow’s athletes, workers and parents. This provides our young people with a wonderful opportunity to understand the importance of the games globally and the relevance it has for our community. It is an opportunity to showcase how both the games and the city have evolved, and what can be achieved through common purpose.

As the founding city to the Commonwealth Games, Hamilton is positioned to demonstrate to the world the importance of a community uniting behind a noble cause. I wish to highly endorse and support the Hamilton 100 consortium who forms the leadership for our effort. If you require any further information, please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,

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February 12, 2020

General Issues Committee
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Re: Commonwealth Games Bid 2030

Dear Committee members:

Since its inception in 1845, the Hamilton Chamber of Commerce has harnessed collective action to advocate for ambitious, city-building initiatives that enhance the social and economic prosperity of Hamilton and our region.

With those objectives in mind, the Board of Directors of the Chamber have authorized me to inform you of our support for the effort to host the 2030 Commonwealth Games.

As you know, Hamilton hosted the first version of the Commonwealth Games in 1930. Since then, the event has grown significantly, attracting over 6,000 athletes to the host city to compete in up to 17 sports. Returning to Hamilton for the games' 100-year anniversary would therefore go beyond an homage to history; as the bidding group has outlined, it would also serve as a catalyst in social and economic development.

The bid before Council details plans to address some of the social, environmental, and economic challenges facing our city. The proposal includes measures to address ongoing concerns, such as water quality in Hamilton Harbour and a dearth of affordable housing units throughout the city. An influx of athletes, spectators and sports officials to the city of Hamilton will undoubtedly contribute to our local economy for the span of the event, while new multi-sport complexes and much-needed upgrades to facilities across the city will redound to the benefit of Hamilton for years to come.

For these reasons, we are proud to support this worthwhile endeavour and pledge to support our hosting efforts in any way we are called upon.

Sincerely,

Keanin Loomis
President & CEO
Hamilton Chamber of Commerce



November 8, 2019

Hello,

The Hamilton Spectator is both pleased and excited to support our city’s bid to bring the Commonwealth Games to Hamilton.

When the first British Empire Games were held in Hamilton in 1930, it was not simply an event that inspired citizens and visitors alike from around the world, it became a proud and indelible part of our collective consciousness, a highlight of our history, an important aspect of our character.

To be sure, sporting events as the Games bring people together from many different walks of life and help nurture peace and understanding. But for Hamilton, the Games would have a positive impact on our community in terms of social and economic development, among other things, and be easily as transformational as the first Games a century ago. What better way to celebrate the 100th anniversary than to bring it back to the place where it all began?

Thank you for the opportunity to showcase our great city and our passion for the Games.

Sincerely,



Neil Oliver
Publisher



October 4, 2019

c/o Commonwealth Bid Team

To Whom it May Concern,

On behalf of the Hamilton-Oshawa Port Authority (HOPA Ports), we wish to express our enthusiastic support for Hamilton’s 2030 Commonwealth Games bid.

Hamilton has so much to offer as a host community, as one of the greatest Great Lakes cities. As visitors travel from around the region, we believe Hamilton has an opportunity to celebrate its extraordinary waterfront and maritime assets, and to make travel by water an integral part of the Games.

HOPA Ports would be pleased to champion and invest in a fast-ferry service from Toronto to Hamilton for the duration of the Games. Travelling by water will give participants and spectators a unique and memorable way to access the city, avoid congested surface transportation routes, and celebrate the marine aspect of Hamilton’s heritage and identity. We propose to work with industry partners to make the experience convenient, fun, and environmentally sustainable.

Beyond the Games, the shuttle could serve as a pilot and proving ground for a more permanent service, helping to make people movement by water a viable, environmentally-responsible option for Ontarians in the future. We would be excited to showcase the new technologies available in this sector to help improve the Games’ environmental performance.

We look forward to working closely with the Hamilton 100 Bid Team, and to helping in any way we are able.

Sincerely,



Ian Hamilton
President and CEO
Hamilton-Oshawa Port Authority





Rob MacIsaac
President and Chief Executive Officer
Hamilton Health Sciences

November 6, 2019

P. J. Mercanti
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Dear Mr. Mercanti,

On behalf of the employees, physicians and volunteers at Hamilton Health Sciences, we applaud and support your efforts to bring the 2030 Commonwealth Games to Hamilton.

HHS has every confidence that the 2030 Games would be a wonderful success here in our city. Hamilton has recently demonstrated through other events, such as the Pan Am Games and the Canadian Open, that we have the capacity to successfully play host to world-class events.

Hosting the Commonwealth Games in 2030 is also a tremendous opportunity to advance investments in our community creating a legacy of infrastructure while show casing all that our region has to offer.

HHS would welcome the opportunity to play its part in contributing to a successful bid outcome and fabulous Games.

Sincerely,

Rob MacIsaac
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Dear Brian,

Please accept this letter as an indication of YWCA Hamilton's support for Hamilton's bid for the Commonwealth Games in 2030. YWCA Hamilton is a women-led service organization with a 130 year history of service in support of women, children, youth, families, seniors, people with special needs and marginalized groups in our community. YWCA Hamilton strengthens women's and girls' voices, broadens their choices, builds dynamic leadership and provides essential and meaningful services that promote safe, inclusive, and equitable communities.

At YWCA Hamilton we are responsible and accountable to the people and communities we serve and are working to find innovation solutions to address barriers and inequity. We know and have identified barriers that prevent youth identifying as girls in our community from participating in sport. These include physical barriers, like physical literacy and fundamental sports skills; psychological barriers, such as knowledge of sports, self-esteem and self-confidence; access and opportunity barriers. This has resulted in the creation of our GirlSport Program which allows allow participants to try new sports and physical activities, and build their skills and confidence in a safe and supportive environment.

By supporting the Hamilton bid to host the Commonwealth Games in 2030, we will allow all youth identifying as girls, including those who are trans, nonbinary and gender fluid to see Women role models from around the world in sport in their own community.

Further, we look forward to working with the team in the development of affordable housing options that will be used by the athletes during the games, and then by community members for the years to come.

Should you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact me at 905-522-9922 x101.

Denise Christopherson
CEO
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February 18, 2020

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To whom it may concern:

RE: Hamilton 2030 Commonwealth Games Bid

I am writing on behalf of Hamilton East Kiwanis Non-Profit Homes Inc. (Kiwanis Homes) to express our support for the Hamilton 100 - 2030 Commonwealth Games Bid submission. We believe that this initiative represents the opportunity for potential significant investment in the long-term infrastructure of the City of Hamilton.

As the second largest non-profit housing provider in the Hamilton area, Kiwanis Homes currently provides affordable housing options to over 1,000 families. We believe that the investment in housing infrastructure resulting from a successful game’s bid, will facilitate the creation of hundreds more, much needed, new rental units in our city for: students, seniors, families and other groups in housing need.

We look forward to supporting a successful 2030 Commonwealth Games bid and believe the City of Hamilton will ultimately derive supports for our community far beyond the games themselves.

Thank-you

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February 24, 2020

Re: Commonwealth Games in Hamilton

To Whom It May Concern:

Hosting the 100th anniversary of the games in Hamilton, where it initially originated would be epic for all stakeholders.

Our city’s private, and public sectors, as well as the entire community would be honoured to bring this amazing global event to Hamilton. All parties would be dedicated to ensuring this event is executed at the highest level. Our city is titled “The Ambitious City”, and this highly motivated culture will be brought forth to all aspects of this event.

I am writing on behalf of our charitable foundation, The Charity of Hope. The Charity of Hope helps children, and youth in our city reach their full potential, so they may achieve their hopes, and dreams. To date, The Charity of Hope, together with its partners, have raised close to \$2M for those in need in the city of Hamilton.

The Commonwealth Games, and the inclusivity of the Commonwealth Paraplegic Games, driven by the values of Humanity, Equality, and Destiny, is very relevant to the Charity of Hope. The Charity of Hope has helped hundreds of children from different countries get established financially, and emotionally, in this country, and city, while also supporting many local underprivileged children, and youth. The organization’s funding has proven to make a difference in their future; helping them mold a more positive life, and “Destiny” for themselves. Our generous team of volunteers, and business partners come together because we believe that everyone has the right to achieve their hopes, and dreams.

Bringing the Games back to Hamilton is the perfect way to mark this Centennial event, and to celebrate the place where it all began.

Once again, thank you for your time, and consideration.

Sincerely,

Lisa Mercanti-Ladd, Board Member

Sam Mercanti, Founder

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November 19, 2019

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Commonwealth Games Bid Corporation
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To whom it may concern,

Re: Commonwealth Games Bid Corporation – Letter of support for Hamilton, Ontario

On behalf of the Canadian Warplane Heritage Museum, please accept this letter of support to Hamilton 100 Commonwealth Games Bid Corporation in their application for The 2030 Commonwealth Games marking the 100th Anniversary of the Games.

The Canadian Warplane Heritage Museum would like to offer our support as a non-profit organization. Our mandate is to acquire, document and preserve and maintain a complete collection of aircraft that were flown by Canadians and the Canadian military from the beginning of World War II to the present.

It's difficult to overstate how lastingly the Commonwealth Games etched in Hamilton's collective consciousness are. In so many ways, 1930 represented a high-water mark in our city's history, a seminal moment that changed the way we see ourselves. We believe 2030, exactly 100 years later, would be every bit as transformational. Indeed, we are convinced that it would be difficult to exaggerate how positive an impact the return of the Games would have on our community.

If you require more information about the Canadian Warplane Heritage Museum and our support, please contact the undersigned.

Sincerely,

Sandra Price
Vice-President, Operations



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March 5, 2020

To whom it may concern,

On behalf of the Regional Municipality of Niagara, I am pleased to write this letter supporting Hamilton100's bid to host the 2030 Commonwealth Games.

The City of Hamilton holds a rich and storied history of successfully supporting major international athletic events at both amateur and professional levels. The 2030 Commonwealth Games represent the 100 year anniversary of Hamilton having hosted the initial version of the games, known then as the British Empire Games, in 1930.

Subsequent to the major athletic gathering in 1930, Hamilton has established a well-earned reputation as a major centre of sports activities of a provincial, national and international nature and has acquitted itself as a well-organized and enthusiastic host for both the athletic competitors and spectators who have travelled to the city for prestigious competitions.

The communities of Niagara and Hamilton enjoy a strong relationship, often partnering on areas of mutual benefit to both communities. In 2015, representatives from both communities collaborated on the hosting of several events and competitions as part of the Toronto 2015 Pan American Games welcoming athletes and spectators to communities throughout Hamilton and Niagara.

As a clear indication of the support of the local municipalities in Niagara, I have attached a pledge of support from the leaders of all twelve municipalities with the Regional Municipality of Niagara who would welcome the selection of Hamilton as the official host of the 2030 Commonwealth Games.

It is our hope that those responsible for choosing the site of the 2030 Games will look favourably upon the Hamilton bid.

Sincerely,

Jim Bradley, Chair
Niagara Region



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January 23, 2020

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This resolve aligns with many of the values of our community and we wish to express our enthusiastic support for the award of the Games in Hamilton in 2030 so that those in our community and beyond can explore our collaboration in pursuit of these goals in the years ahead.

Sincerely,

Chris Murray
City Manager



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March 30, 2022

To the Hamilton 100 Sport Program Advisory Committee,

Please accept this letter of support for the Waterloo Regional bid (comprising of the cities of Cambridge, Kitchener, and Waterloo; along with the University of Waterloo, and St John’s Kilmarnock School) to host several events as part Hamilton100’s bid for the 2030 Commonwealth Games.

The City of Kitchener, and the communities of Waterloo Region, have a long history of playing host to international competitors, coaches, officials, volunteers, and spectators associated with sporting. We look forward to the opportunity to support a regional bid to host archery, table tennis, beach volleyball, boxing, aquatics, wrestling, badminton, and field hockey.

Waterloo Region has an accomplished and long-standing history of hosting national and international events. Some of which include:

- 2013 Canadian Olympic Curling Pre-Trials
- 2016 Canadian Volleyball Championships
- 2018 ISC World Fastball Tournament
- 2018 Canadian Men’s and Women’s Artistic Gymnastics Championships
- 2018 Canadian Synchronized Skating Championships
- 2018 World Jr Ultimate Championships
- 2019 Softball Canada Women’s U19 Canadian Championship
- 2019 Canadian Lawn Bowls Championship – Singles
- 2022 CHL Kubota Top Prospects Game

As a thriving and growing region, just a short drive from the Hamilton, home to three world-class post-secondary institutions, and one of the largest technology and innovation hubs in Canada, Waterloo Region promises to provide all those in attendance with a one-of-a-kind experience. Long known for our barnraising spirit, Kitchener and the communities of Waterloo region have a history of working together in true partnership on everything from localizing the UN’s Sustainable Development goals to tackling the last two years of the COVID-19 pandemic. Whether a large-scale project, or a small one, we know this opportunity would allow us to join Hamilton in creating a games that inspire good, do good and make a real, measurable impact.

The City of Kitchener is honoured to be a part of this exciting bid opportunity. We look forward to a successful bid and welcoming these impressive athletes to our city.

Sincerely,

Berry Vrbanovic
Mayor



City of Waterloo



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March 28, 2022

To the Hamilton 100 Sport Program Advisory Committee,

Please accept this letter of support for the Waterloo Regional bid (comprising of the cities of Cambridge, Kitchener, and Waterloo; along with the University of Waterloo, and St John’s Kilmarnock School) to host several events as part Hamilton100’s bid for the 2030 Commonwealth Games.

The City of Waterloo welcomes the opportunity to host international competitors, coaches, officials, volunteers, and spectators associated with these events in our community. The events include archery, table tennis, beach volleyball, boxing, aquatics, wrestling, badminton, and field hockey.

Waterloo Region has an accomplished and long-standing history of hosting national and international events. Some of which include:

- 2016 Canadian Volleyball Championships,
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- 2018 Canadian Men’s and Women’s Artistic Gymnastics Championships,
- 2018 Canadian Synchronized Skating Championships,
- 2018 World Jr Ultimate Championships,
- 2019 Softball Canada Women’s U19 Canadian Championship
- 2019 National Singles Bowls Championships
- 2022 CHL Kubota Top Prospects Game

Water Region has hosted many provincial championships over the years. Additionally, there are numerous events taking place in the region in the upcoming years, including the 2023 Canada Soccer National Championships and 2023 Canadian Wrestling Trials.

Waterloo region is thriving and growing area, just minutes away from the Hamilton. Home to three world-class post-secondary institutions, and one of the largest tech hubs in Canada, Waterloo Region promises to provide all those in attendance with a one of a kind experience. The City of Waterloo is honoured to be a part of these exciting bid opportunities and we look forward to a successful bid and welcoming these impressive athletes to our city.

Sincerely,

Dave Jaworsky

Dave Jaworsky
Mayor, City of Waterloo

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Brian MacPherson, CEO
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March 6, 2020

Dear Brian,

On behalf of the City of Burlington, Ontario, Canada, and as its Mayor, I am writing to you in support of the Hamilton100 committee’s bid for the City of Hamilton to act as host of the 100th Commonwealth Games in 2030.

The inaugural Commonwealth Games (then under the moniker of the British Empire Games) were first held in the City of Hamilton in 1930. The Games’ founder, Melville Marks Robinson, lived on a farm right here in Burlington, where we have since named a school named in his honour: M.M. Robinson High School. These special historic ties to the games and their origin make Hamilton the perfect place to celebrate their 100th anniversary.

Burlington shares a beautiful waterfront, transit, and many partnerships and projects with the City of Hamilton. As close neighbours and friends, we already work together to host the Around the Bay Road Race – the oldest on the continent, dating back to 1894. With over 10,000 participants and countless spectators, our communities have decades of experience makings athletes and fans feel welcome and engaged.

The people of our shared community demonstrate a lifelong commitment to health, fitness, and competitive sport, as is evidenced by our many sporting facilities, hiking trails, and fitness amenities. Our commitment to inclusivity and diversity can be seen throughout our arts & culture programs and events, accessible spaces, and city policies.

The City of Burlington is supportive of Hamilton’s commitments to invest in its sport facilities, affordable housing, and the many other preparations that will need to be made to host a memorable and remarkable event. Their passion for the Games and their successful execution is genuine and inspiring.

For all these reasons, we offer our enthusiastic support of the City of Hamilton’s bid to host the 100th Commonwealth Games.

Sincerely,

Marianne Meed Ward

Mayor Marianne Meed Ward
City of Burlington





St. Catharines

Walter Sendzik, Mayor

November 12, 2019

P.J. Mercanti, President
Hamilton 100 Commonwealth Games Bid Corporation
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Re: Letter of Support for the 2030 Commonwealth Games

Dear Reviewers,

The City of St. Catharines is pleased to support HAMILTON 100 in bringing the Commonwealth Games to Hamilton in 2030. St. Catharines and Hamilton have a long history of working co-operatively and we believe that the partnerships established will result in an exciting and well organized Games that will create a memorable experience for athletes and visiting fans.

St. Catharines has earned a reputation as a destination for sport tourism. Having successfully hosting the U18 Women's Hockey Championships in 2016 and the FIBA U18 Boys' Basketball Championships in 2018. In recent years, the City played a large role in winning the bid to host the 2021 Canada Summer Games for the Niagara Region. St. Catharines has also been the site choice for FISA North American Rowing Championships, FISA World Rowing Championships (1970 and 1999), FISU Games, FISA World Masters Regatta, the 2015 Pan American Rowing Competition and most recently, the 2024 World Rowing Senior, Under 23 and Junior Championships. This wealth of experience and enthusiasm speaks to our community's commitment to delivering the best possible athlete experience.

The Meridian Centre, located in our downtown core, is a multi-use spectator facility which can seat 5,000 for hockey, basketball or a host of other events. The City has committed \$10 million towards facilities as part of the CSG 2021. A new high performance training centre, the Henley Rowing Centre, will be built along the Henley rowing course. This fall, construction will start on Canada Games Park, located at Brock University. This jointly owned athletic complex will feature a sport and ability centre which will include arenas, gymnasiums, an outdoor facility with a track, an athletic field and beach volley ball courts. The City has made significant investment in infrastructure to support our community and achieve our goals of hosting future elite athletic events.

The City of St. Catharines welcomes the opportunity to work with Hamilton 100 in hosting the Commonwealth Games in 2030. I look forward to learning about Hamilton's success!

Sincerely,

Walter Sendzik
Mayor

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March 22, 2022

Mr. Greg Maychak
Bid General Manager
Hamilton 100 Bid Committee

RE: Mississauga Mayor Crombie's Letter of Support to Co-Host the Commonwealth Games 2030

Dear Mr. Maychak,

Mississauga continues to be a leader in the sport tourism industry securing several international, national and provincial level events in the past year alone. We are proud to host the 2022 Ontario Parasport and Ontario Summer Games, the 2022 Ontario Volleyball Provincial Championships, and the 2023 World Indoor Rowing Championships to name a few. We still feel the energy of the International 2015 Pan Am/Parapan American Games and hope the athletes and participants continue to feel pride in the milestones achieved here in Mississauga. We are excited and poised to continue our hosting success as we partner in the Commonwealth Games 2030.

These Games are an opportunity to encourage volunteerism, contribute to local tourism and economic activity and help communities build their experience and resources to host large-scale events. Investing in our sport infrastructure, local athletes and volunteers continue to be the heart beat of our sport tourism legacy. From the arrival of Games delegates and participants at Canada's largest airport; to hosting them in our first-class venues, our staff and volunteer base have the experience to ensure these Games are the most memorable ones yet. Sport transcends language and culture. It is truly a unifying force for good. We want to build on that enthusiasm and partner with the Hamilton 100 bid committee to bring the Games back to the GTA for the 100th anniversary of the Commonwealth Games. It will be a special celebration of sport, culture and community that Mississauga is proud to get behind.

Please accept this proposal as Mississauga's submission to partner as a multiple venue host for the Cricket, Basketball 3x3, Judo and Wrestling sport competitions. We look forward to a great partnership with the Canada Games Council, the Hamilton 100 Bid Committee and the City of Hamilton. Bring on the Games!

Warm Regards,

Bonnie Crombie

Bonnie Crombie, MBA, ICD.D
Mayor, City of Mississauga





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OFFICE OF THE MAYOR

March 23, 2022

To Whom It May Concern;

On behalf of the City of Cambridge and Cambridge City Council, I offer this letter to the City of Hamilton and the Region of Waterloo to enthusiastically lend my support for the bid for the 2030 Commonwealth Games.

The opportunity for an Ontario City to host the games in 2030 will have an incredibly overall benefit on our communities as we all emerge from the COVID-19 pandemic. Social and volunteer opportunities benefit not only the host city but those municipalities along the golden horseshoe. Financially speaking, this will help our hospitality sector rebound and utilize that multiplier effect, putting people in restaurants, hotels, and on our sports fields. An influx of visiting spectators, family, and friends will be so welcomed in all of our communities.

For these reasons, Cambridge is in the process of preparing proposals to host Archery – Recurve at the new Soccer Complex, Table Tennis at the new Recreation Complex, and Beach Volleyball at Riverside Park as part of this bid to host.

The City of Cambridge supports the City of Hamilton and Waterloo Region’s bid for the 2030 Common Wealth Games.

Sincerely

Kathryn McGarry

Mayor Kathryn McGarry



03/05/2020

To Whom it May Concern,

Re: Letter of Support for Hamilton 100 – City of Hamilton Bid to host Commonwealth Games 2030

It is my pleasure to support the Hamilton 100 team in their bid to return the Commonwealth Games back to the City of Hamilton for its 100th anniversary.

The Commonwealth Games are a true celebration of athleticism, sportsmanship, culture and diversity. With the integration of para-sport into its program, the Commonwealth Games have shown outstanding commitment towards inclusivity. Sport is a mirror to how we view ourselves. It’s incredible to see both athletes and para-athletes represent their country within one games, and compete together as one class of people.

As an athlete with a spinal cord injury, para-sport has been a cornerstone in my life. In my role as past Chair of the Commission for the Inclusion of Athletes with Disabilities, I led the Commission to successfully obtain full medal status for athletes with disabilities at the Commonwealth Games. I was proud to see Chantal Petitclerc, a fellow wheelchair racer and friend of the Rick Hansen Foundation, be the first athlete to receive a para-sport medal at the 2002 Commonwealth Games in Manchester, England.

We are thrilled that Anthony Frisina, an Ambassador for the Rick Hansen Foundation, is the Accessibility Advisor for the Hamilton 100 team. Should the City of Hamilton be successful in their bid, we strongly encourage the implementation of the Rick Hansen Foundation Accessibility Certification™ program to ensure the City’s sports venues, facilities, and community infrastructure are made accessible and inclusive to athletes, staff, volunteers, and spectators.

We hope the City of Hamilton will serve as a model for future games and inspiration to visitors from around the world and we look forward to supporting the Hamilton 100 team in their plans for a safe and inclusive 2030 Games.

I wish the City of Hamilton all the very best with their bid to return the Commonwealth Games to the city on the occasion of its centennial anniversary.

Sincerely,

Rick Hansen

Rick Hansen, C.C., O.B.C.
Founder, Rick Hansen Foundation





February 25, 2020

Hamilton100 Commonwealth Bid Corporation
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Hamilton, Ontario
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To Whom it May Concern:

On behalf of the 2021 Canada Games Host Society, it is with pleasure that I write this letter of support for the Hamilton100 bid for the 2030 Commonwealth Games.

Sport and major Games are a wonderful catalyst for community and youth development. By building on the legacies of previous major events, we believe that the City of Hamilton is a natural choice for hosting the 2030 Games. The opportunity to host the 2030 Games in Hamilton will continue to build capacity, develop communities, and build on the strong leadership and history of excellence in sport hosting in Hamilton and Ontario.

By continuing to leverage the many lasting legacies of other major Games such as the 2015 Pan/Parapan Am Games and our 2021 Canada Summer Games, Hamilton and Ontario are uniquely equipped to host another phenomenal Games in 2030. Utilizing these unique assets and legacies, positions Hamilton to offer a first-class opportunity for hosting and athletic excellence in 2030.

Our organization is excited to support the bid to bring the 2030 Games to Hamilton and welcome the opportunity to discuss further how we may be able to support this endeavour.

Sincerely,


Doug Hamilton
Chair
2021 Canada Games Host Society Inc.

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November 10, 2019

PJ Mercanti

Hamilton100 Commonwealth Bid Corporation

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Dear Mr. Mercanti,

The Board of Directors of SportHamilton fully supports and whole-heartedly endorses the Hamilton100 bid to host the 2030 Commonwealth Games, the 100th Anniversary and the birthplace of the Games.

As the Official Sport Council for the City of Hamilton, SportHamilton is dedicated to the promotion, support and enhancement of sport in the Hamilton community. SportHamilton plays a leadership role in Hamilton and represents a unified sport community with over 1000 volunteers that support life-long, healthy opportunities that enhance participation and quality sport for all through innovative and diverse programming.

Hamilton has a proud history of hosting various sporting event competitions that include Local, Provincial, National, and International levels. SportHamilton and its member sport organizations are excited and honoured to volunteer and contribute to the successful planning and hosting of the 2030 Games. Hamilton’s base of volunteers, one of the largest in Canada, is eager to participate in this historic opportunity.

We look forward to the upcoming announcement of the winning bid city and pledge our genuine commitment to bringing the Commonwealth Games home to Hamilton.

Sincerely Yours in Sport,

Helen Downey

President, SportHamilton

Sport for All

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Feb. 5, 2020

Re: Hamilton 100 Commonwealth Games bid

Dear Vanessa,

I am writing this letter with two hats, as the chair of the Hamilton Accessible Sports Council and as a Therapeutic Recreationist with the Ron Joyce Children’s Health Center of the Hamilton Health Sciences. The Hamilton Accessible Sports Council (HASC) is a nonprofit organization that supports organizations that facilitate an inclusive sport environment for all participants and is dedicated to the promotion of accessible sport for all in the Hamilton community and as a Therapeutic Recreationist, I work with hundreds of families of children with physical disabilities.

Hamilton is a hub for recreation for individuals with a disability. The community provides lots of opportunity for recreational sport, but very limited opportunity for elite sport for individuals competing with a disability. It is my hope that if Hamilton is successful at bringing the games, to Hamilton that this may change. (that groups will create opportunities for training and competition and that accessible dedicated facilities will be made as a legacy that will allow for this training and competition to occur.

Hamilton Accessible Sports Council and Denise McArthur as a Therapeutic Recreationist is pleased to support the bid for these games. We wish the Hamilton 100 Commonwealth bid much success. If you have questions, please feel free to contact me at (905) 521-2100 ext. 74482 or mcarthurd@hhsc.ca

Sincerely,

Denise McArthur,
Chair Hamilton Accessible Sports Council and Therapeutic Recreationist, RJCHC



CANUSA Games Hamilton Branch

City of Hamilton, Community Services Recreation Division
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March 5th, 2020

Attention: Richard Powers
President – Commonwealth Games Association of Canada
2451 Promenade Riverside Dr.
Ottawa, Ontario
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Dear Mr. Powers,

The “CANUSA Games” would like to take this opportunity to show our support for Hamilton’s bid to host the 100th Anniversary of the Commonwealth Games in 2030.

The “CANUSA Games” pits the youth of Hamilton, Ontario, against the youth of Flint, Michigan, each summer in 14 sports including swimming, track and field, basketball, volleyball and soccer. The host city alternates each year and the “Games” have run continuously for the last 63 years. This event is run almost entirely by volunteers at every level: the Board of Directors, Sport Coordinators and Coaches all tirelessly give their time and energy in an effort to foster good-will and friendship between our two cities through sport.

Everyone involved in the “CANUSA Games” here in Hamilton would be thrilled to have the opportunity to watch, volunteer at, or even participate in such an amazing event as the Commonwealth Games... and the 100th Anniversary of The Commonwealth Games at that!

The lasting legacy of an event like this can never be overlooked or overstated. The amount of energy, effort and materials needed to facilitate The Commonwealth Games will live on for many years to come. Not only in the experiences and memories that the participants, volunteers and spectators will come away with but also in the new infrastructure and facilities that will be left behind for generations after the Games have left. These lasting memories and new opportunities within the community will forever be with us.

The Commonwealth Games have evolved tremendously since their beginnings as the British Empire Games in 1930, and we would love nothing more than to be able to celebrate their 100th Anniversary right where it all started.

Sincerely,
Greg Mills
President – CANUSA Games, Hamilton

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Richard Powers
President, Commonwealth Games Association of Canada
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March 5th, 2020

Dear Richard,

Hamilton has a long history of hosting multi-sport games. We have hosted the provincial games and the CANUSA games which is the longest standing sporting exchange in North America. We also twice proudly hosted the International Children's Games in 1994 and 2000. We had well over 2000 athletes from 30 countries competing in 10 sports in the year 2000. As President of ICG Hamilton Inc. I have been at over 30 International Children's Games. There is no other city like Hamilton that has the passion, support and qualified volunteers to deliver an outstanding event. We also hosted the Pan American Games in 2015 with men's & women's soccer. Hamilton is known for their volunteerism and we were proud to reach our volunteer numbers for these games and surpassed the percentage of volunteers per capita of any municipality hosting events in their city.

As a volunteer leader responsible for athletes travelling abroad, I can assure you that Canada and this region is well renowned as a world class host capable of delivering outstanding games. Our reputation is deserved and our volunteers and professional staff in this area know games and the organization needed for success. With Toronto and southern Ontario hosting the 2015 Pan American Games and Niagara region hosting next year's 2021 Canada Games we have many of the venues, the expertise and the knowledge base necessary to deliver the Centennial Commonwealth Games in our fine city.

I ask and encourage Commonwealth Games Canada and the Commonwealth Games Federation to seriously consider the city of Hamilton. We have bid 3 times but never have given up on the hope and dream of Hamiltonians bringing home the Commonwealth Games to our fine city. We have a large populated region with highly experienced personnel to host a successful Commonwealth Games. How wonderful and profound it would be that we could celebrate it's 100th anniversary, in the city that founded the original games back in 1930. It would certainly be "History Worth Repeating"!

Yours truly in International Sport!

Edward C. Dunn
President, ICG Hamilton Inc.



January 27, 2020

Mr. Richard Powers
President of Commonwealth Games Association of Canada
2451 Promenade Riverside Drive
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Dear Mr. Powers:

I am writing in support of Hamilton 100's proposed facility plan in connection with its bid for the 2030 Commonwealth Games.

Hamilton's facility plan includes the Commonwealth Games Sports Centre featuring multiple sport courts. As a legacy of the 2030 Commonwealth Games, that facility would serve as both a community sport centre and an elite training centre. In addition, a show court is included which would serve as an arena where various types of events and sports could be hosted, including domestic and international basketball games and tournaments. A second facility, the 3X3 basketball centre at Eastwood Park, is also a key part of Hamilton's plan and would be another important legacy of the 2030 Commonwealth Games.

There is much good news about Canadian basketball. Buoyed by the Raptors' championship season and the success of the Canada Basketball men's and women's programs, more people are playing basketball than ever before. The NBA reports that youth basketball participation in Canada grew a remarkable 15% in the past year alone - from 1.1M in the 2018-2019 season to over 1.3M in the 2019-2020 season. Basketball is the most inclusive sport in Canada, drawing fans and participants old and young, male and female, urban and rural, and representing a diversity of backgrounds and cultures as rich as the country itself. Basketball is the fastest growing sport in Canada and the most participated sport amongst youth aged 12 to 17. Basketball is considered the coolest sport amongst 18 to 24-year-olds and the first sport choice for newcomers to Canada. 3X3 basketball is now an Olympic Sport and hundreds of 3X3 events are hosted across Canada each year.

But that popularity and growth also brings capacity issues. Canada Basketball is working hard to increase the number of qualified coaches, referees, administrators And facilities!

The need for additional basketball facilities has been a long-standing problem in Canada, particularly in the Greater Toronto and Hamilton Area. That problem has only increased as the popularity of the sport grows, and as access to general purpose sports facilities such as schools becomes more restrictive and expensive.

The importance of basketball to a community and the need to provide additional facilities for the ever increasing demand has been recognized by other communities in the Golden Horseshoe (for example, see the "Basketball Development Plan" prepared by the City of Toronto's Parks, Forestry and Recreation Department which can be found on-line at <https://www.toronto.ca/legdocs/mmis/2016/cd/bgrd/backgroundfile-98433.pdf>).



Canada Basketball would also be interested in using Hamilton 100’s Commonwealth Games facilities for its own programs, games and other events. We had engaged in discussions with the City of Hamilton about relocating Canada Basketball’s headquarters and men’s national training centre to Hamilton earlier in the year. Although those discussions did not result in an agreement, we would be very interested in exploring all possibilities for our involvement in these proposed facilities. Canada Basketball’s participation in the Hamilton facilities could bring significant exposure, employment, and valuable sport tourism benefits.

Finally, I know firsthand how much unfulfilled demand for basketball courts exists in the area from my experience as the former Director of Athletics and Recreation at McMaster University and also as the co-founder/chairman of HoopDome, a seven court privately owned basketball facility located in Toronto’s Downsview Park. At McMaster, we could not fulfill much of the third-party requests for rentals of our gymnasiums. Similarly, our courts at HoopDome are booked to capacity with leagues, rentals and tournaments and we regularly must turn away rental requests. HoopDome has been profitable since inception and usage has increased year over year in all twelve years of its existence.

Mr. Powers, I respectfully encourage you to consider Hamilton 100’s bid for the 2030 Commonwealth Games. I am sure Hamilton will provide a wonderful Commonwealth Games experience for all participants. And, the legacy of the Commonwealth Games in Hamilton will be important and well-needed community and sport infrastructure.

Please feel free to contact me if you should need any further information or assistance.

Sincerely,

Glen Grunwald
President & CEO
Canada Basketball



March 1st, 2020

Mr. Richard Powers
President of Commonwealth Games Association of Canada
2451 Promenade Riverside Drive
Ottawa, K1H 7X7

Dear Mr. Powers:

I am writing to you in support of Hamilton 100’s proposed facility plan in connection with its bid for the 2030 Commonwealth Games.

As a proud Hamiltonian who operates a professional basketball league nationally with a local team in Hamilton, I am fully aware of the desperate need of indoor facilities and elite training centres across the country, especially for the Hamilton market.

I can’t see any other greater opportunity for the future of Hamilton’s youth than being awarded the 100th Commonwealth Games for 2030. This decision would provide desperately needed facilities to support young and old men’s and women’s programs that currently struggle to find space to host practices let alone tournaments or community events to bring people together through sport. This decision will also benefit the health and well being of all residents, bring tremendous civic pride, and showcase the diversity of our great city that makes Hamilton so special.

The sport of basketball in Canada is experiencing an amazing renaissance that has seen participation rates for all levels of basketball increase dramatically across the country and especially in Southern Ontario with our close proximity to the NBA Champion Toronto Raptors and our four CEBL markets. This renaissance however has begun to expose the dramatic need for proper facilities that can support the increased participation of basketballers as well as all other indoor sports that would share the same footprint and success of having proper venues to train and play.

As the Commissioner and CEO of the Canadian Elite Basketball League (CEBL) I oversee our seven franchises across the country (Abbotsford BC, Edmonton AB, Saskatoon SK, Guelph ON, Hamilton, ON, St. Catharines ON, and Ottawa ON.) This has allowed me great insight to many aspects of the basketball landscape including many areas where there could be major improvements, upmost of which is facility related.

Never has there been so much interest in our sport, and so much so that the CEBL was created in 2019 and has become the first and only Men’s Division 1 Professional partner of the national federation - Canada Basketball. This relationship puts us in a position of strength as we look to not only showcase our

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amazing Canadian players but also develop the next wave of Canadians that one day will wear the Maple Leaf and grace the stage at Commonwealth games and other major sporting events all over the world.

You could say the CEBL looks to become the “CFL of Basketball” but with even more Canadian content and focus. After spending 20 years in the CFL; 12 as a player and a combined 20 years as a players rep, executive, and President of the CFL Players Association, I have witnessed first-hand what improved spectator and training facilities across the country have done to help not only promote football but also provide all outdoor sports with access to proper up to date venues that dramatically improve sport participation and excellence at all levels.

I will say that a commitment to Hamilton 100 is a commitment to an extremely large population base of people from all walks of life and socio economic backgrounds that are in desperate need of places to play, connect, and celebrate their culture that will make our community even stronger.

In conjunction with Canada Basketball and the Hamilton Honey Badgers we are extremely interested in becoming future tenants of a facility that could house our programs and perhaps also become a home base for future CEBL and Canada Basketball regular season games including international events as a legacy to building these venues for game related purposes. A venue that could provide this could have a long-lasting effect on the city, region, and sports programs in addition to becoming the world class training Center for the sport of Basketball, which is something that currently doesn’t exist anywhere in Canada.

Mr. Powers I hope you consider Hamilton 100’s bid for the Commonwealth games as a catalyst for the much-needed services that our city will have a hard time providing without the support and consideration for such an amazing event. The legacy of these games will go far beyond facilities and venues, but these are definitely infrastructural needs that will serve the greater good in the community for decades to come.

Please feel free to contact me if you require any additional information or have questions.

Truly,

Mike Morreale
Commissioner | CEO
Canadian Elite Basketball League (CEBL)

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December 18, 2019

To the Hamilton 2030 Bid Committee
Commonwealth Games

Badminton Ontario would like to express its support for the Hamilton bid for the 2030 Commonwealth Games. We believe that events such as the Commonwealth Games are not only a great showcase for the city and are hosting the event, but also a boost for the sports involved in the development of athletes, officials, and coaches.

We believe that all members of the association will want to be involved in the games, as spectators and volunteers; and we look forward to hearing that this has been a successful bid.

Sincerely,

Dave Kumar
President
Badminton Ontario

Jean Wong
Technical Director
Badminton Ontario





Commonwealth Games Canada 2030 Bid Review Committee

Cycling Events for the Hamilton 2030 Commonwealth Games Bid

To Whom it May Concern,

This letter is in support of the Hamilton 2030 Commonwealth Games Bid to include a cycling program at the Games.

Ontario Cycling (OC) believes that this event will be an incredible opportunity to further develop and grow the sport of cycling in the Hamilton area. Hamilton has an active and engaged cycling community who would greatly benefit from further development and legacy investment that the Commonwealth Games would bring.

Ontario Cycling is excited to support the bid for the Hamilton 2030 Commonwealth Games. The investment within the City of Hamilton, will not only benefit the current cycling community, but build on that foundation for future cyclists for years to come.

Sincerely,

Pamela Julian (she/her/hers) BA, MSc, MA
President & CEO

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February 13, 2020

To Whom It May Concern,

Re: The Commonwealth bid for the City of Hamilton

Please accept this letter as a show of support for the bid for the 2030 Commonwealth Games.

The National Cycling Centre Hamilton is a not-for-profit corporation and was created as a legacy organization following the very successful 2003 UCI World Road Cycling Championships in Hamilton Ontario. We hold together with full-time and part-time staff, as well as many wonderful, helpful volunteers.

Our Centre is one of five nationally recognized cycling centres in Canada and is responsible for identifying, recruiting, testing, coaching and training high performance and development athletes in the Province of Ontario. The Centre is formally partnered with the Canadian Cycling Association, the Ontario Cycling Association, the City of Hamilton and McMaster University. Since its creation in 2005, the Centre has assisted over 75 athletes win medals at National Championships and/or become members of the Canadian National Cycling Team!

Regards

Ward Black
President, National Cycling Centre Hamilton





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February 12th, 2020

Hamilton 100
Commonwealth Games Bid Corporation
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Dear Hamilton 100:

RE: Hamilton bid for the Commonwealth Games 2020

The Hamilton Olympic Club is Canada's oldest continuously operating track and field organization, having been incorporated in 1926.

Indeed our organization shares a common heritage in that one M.M. Robinson was the founder of both our club and the British Empire Games, the forerunner to the Commonwealth Games.

As such, our club wishes to offer its enthusiastic support to the Hamilton 100 bid, in an effort to bring these games home for their centenary celebration. Imagine, having athletes from all over the world come to Hamilton as they did back at the old Civic Stadium in 1930!

We look forward to Hamilton hosting these games and, in particular, to the substantial track and field facility legacy it will leave that will benefit athletes aspiring to one day represent Canada on the world stage.

Let's bring these games home!

Yours very truly,

Richard Gelder
President



Brian MacPherson
CEO Commonwealth Games Association of Canada
2451 Promenade Riverside Drive
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The Hamilton Athletic Trust Fund wishes to express its support to bring the games back home to celebrate the Centennial Commonwealth Games! Our city founded the first British Empire Games, the Canada Games and Special Olympics and we are proud of our contribution to international sport providing opportunities to compete in games locally, nationally and internationally. Presently our committee is proud to have funded thousands of teams, leagues and sporting projects but none more than our grass roots soccer program, a legacy from the 2015 Pan American Games where over 500 children weekly from the inner city participate free at Tim Horton's field every spring & summer since the games and specifically soccer was hosted in Hamilton.

I'm confident that our committee would love to participate, contribute and be part of the proposed venue at Eastwood park where Shai Gilgeous – Alexander and the NBA PA are considering with a successful bid a large contribution to what will be the best 3 x 3 outdoor basketball park in Canada designed with input from Hamilton's youth! I'll be asking the youth of Wesley Urban Ministries and near by schools including Bernie Custis Secondary School to present its vision and plans to create a park that will serve Hamilton's diverse population providing the most accessible and inclusive programming both indoors and outside this proposed site.

Our organization will be 75 in 2030 and we look forward to sharing 2 important anniversaries of sport celebrating our success of providing sport and resources to participants and athletes wishing to compete in sport whether it's in a local recreational program to training with one of our national teams. I close by saying your committee will not be disappointed with the proposed bid, its venues, it's plan and most of all the pride of its people who believe in the power of sport and how it can have a social impact that makes a significant difference in the lives of so many from all ages from all abilities and ethnic backgrounds participating together in healthy & safe communities!

Yours in Sport

Hamilton Athletic Trust Fund



March 4, 2020

Dear Mr. Powers

As President, I am pleased to represent this fine volunteer organization but collectively we are more proud of the many inductees into the Hamilton Sports Hall of Fame including in recent years Cecelia Carter-Smith, Commonwealth Games athlete and executive member of HAMILTON100 and of course the founding president of the Hamilton Olympic club, sports editor, 2 time Olympic manager and the founder of the very first British Empire Games MM Bobby Robinson. Our organization has also inducted the 4 Hamilton women anchored by Betty Stanley who won the first female medals in athletics at the 1934 games and Ray Lewis the first Canadian Black athlete to win an Olympic track medal! Our organization has many, many local athletes who have excelled internationally and competed at the Commonwealth Games.

We believe that bringing the Centennial Commonwealth Games here to Hamilton we can celebrate that proud history by promoting and showcasing the many archives and items of those very first games including the committee jacket and ribbons worn by Bobby Robinson, the founding president and a track official at the very first 1930 British Empire Games held right here in the city of Hamilton. It is actually our goal to set up our historical exhibit dedicated not only the first games but to work with Commonwealth Games Canada and the Federation to display items, medals, uniforms and significant archrivals of prized items like past games batons so that the spectators, volunteers and visitors appreciate and understand the history of the Commonwealth Games and what these games mean to Canada as the founding nation to this prestigious world class multi-sport event.

In closing we are supportive and anxious to help in celebrating the athletes and games that are the proud history of almost a century of sporting excellence and the hosting of the “Friendly Games”, now known as the Commonwealth Games that in 2030 will celebrate its 100th Anniversary!

Sincerely,


Garry MacKay
HSHOF President



March 6, 2020

Mr. Richard Powers
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Mr. Powers:


There are moments in time where history seems to repeat itself. In sport, it is so prevalent that we have assigned nicknames to such experiences: “Back-to-Back” and “Three-Peat”, for example. As chairperson of the Golden Horseshoe Athlete of The Year committee, I ask that you consider doing the same; repeat history and return to Hamilton in the year of the Centennial Commonwealth Games; return to the founding city that hosted the inaugural Commonwealth Games in 1930.

For 25 years now, our committee has recognized this region’s very best athletes, both professional and amateur, as the Golden Horseshoe Athlete of The Year. We take great pride in the fact that many of our past recipients include Canadian Commonwealth Games athletes. Athletes like swimmer, Joanne Malar, cyclist, Clara Hughes, and runner, Graham Hood; canoeist, Mark Oldershaw, road cyclist, Sue Palmar Kolmar, and basketball player, Shona Thorburn; wrestler, Michelle Fazzari, beach volleyball player, Heather Bansley and of course, one of Canada’s best female basketball players, Kia Nurse.

Even though the southwestern region known as the Golden Horseshoe, has produced an incredible number of outstanding athletes over the years, unfortunately, many of these athletes have had to move out of the region to access superior venues to both train and compete at elite levels. Facilities like modern athletic venues, a multi-sport complex, indoor & outdoor beach volleyball courts, international cricket pitches, turf fields, lawn bowl pitches and a world class aquatic centre at McMaster University, are all facilities desperately needed in Greater Hamilton in order to continue to develop world-class athletes.

Come 2030, it will be 100 years since Hamilton has hosted the Commonwealth Games. It is time to invite the country back to experience and celebrate the Commonwealth’s greatest sports competition in the city where the greatest sports volunteers reside. There is no doubt that when Hamilton hosts the Centennial Commonwealth Games, all will agree that it was history worth repeating.

Yours in the Power of Sport,


Committee Chair, Michele Vesprini-Jordan





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March 5, 2020

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Members of Council

LETTER OF SUPPORT FOR HAMILTON 100 COMMONWEALTH GAMES BID

Roselawn Lawn Bowling Club was founded in 1925 and is located in historic Gage Park. The two lawn bowling greens were specifically built for the 1st British Empire Games. They were the first official size greens in Canada and represent a legacy from those games.

Lawn Bowls is a core sport in the Commonwealth Games which requires a world class venue with a minimum of four greens. There is an added potential for hosting other sport tourism events like Canadian Championships or North American Challenge. The inclusion of a Multi-Sport Indoor Facility would provide a year round opportunity to develop Coaches, Umpires and recreational to high performance athletes who follow the prescribed 'Long Term Athlete Development' for athletics.

The rapidly growing community sports programs in the City of Hamilton will require several quality facilities. The large capital investments indicated in the Commonwealth Games bid will provide an opportunity to renew our city's sports facilities, drive economic benefit by attracting tournaments from many sports organizations and add more affordable housing in our community.

Roselawn Lawn Bowling Club fully supports the Hamilton 100 Commonwealth Games Bid.

Yours sincerely

Russell J. Ruggles
President



Brain MacPherson, CEO
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To Whom It May Concern,

On behalf of Crescent Cricket Club of Hamilton, we are hoping to see the Commonwealth games come back to Hamilton after 100 years of strenuous growth. We believe that Hamilton is capable of bringing forth mass populations from around the globe to centralize the vast diversities in our commonwealth communities. We are commonly a mediator in between the megacities of Toronto (Canada) and New York (US). Hamilton is also known as being one the most diverse cities in Canada, holding top class education featuring many students from around the world to learn at McMaster university. Our Hamilton youth from young, have been trained for public services, and are familiar with community work. They, alongside many Hamiltonians are ready to commit towards a project that they believe, can bring together, all sorts of people.

Only when coming to our beautiful city will you be able to see the market potential and resources it holds. Hamilton provides a lot of space and top class facilities that can hold numerous amounts of people all at once. Our natural resources are much easier to access than anywhere else and our climate graph stays at a reasonable pace. This makes Hamilton a relatively safer and reliable place in regards to the environment, in comparison against many areas around the globe.

My team and I constantly receive support and feedback from many local, national, and even international businesses that are ready to get involved with the project. Many of us, also find, that in reality, a 100 year ceremony of the Commonwealth games should begin at its origin, in this case being Hamilton. We would like to bring back the great memories of the past and create new ones as well, and we believe that Hamilton is the right place to start, even when regarding economic stability and human resources.

Best Regards,

Naseer Malik
President of Crescent Cricket Club of Hamilton



February 27, 2020

To:

Brain MacPherson, CEO

Commonwealth Games Canada

2451 promenade Riverside Drive

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We wish to pledge our support to bringing the games to Hamilton in 2030 and in helping the Hamilton 100 committee in anyway possible. As a 500 person aquatic club we represent many swimmers and families in the region. The Commonwealth Games means a lot to me personally as I participated in the 1990 Games and I want nothing more then my city to experience the joy and passion these games bring.

Grey Fairley

Chief Executive Officer

Golden Horseshoe Aquatic Club



January 15, 2020

Re: Hamilton 100 Commonwealth letter of support

Hamilton Volleyball was established in 1994. Our organization offers volleyball programs for youth males and females 8 to 18 years of age and adults.

To deliver our programs, we are require 50 hours of gymnasium times per week during the school year as well as 30 hours of beach courts times per week during the summer.

Our members of the club support and agree with Hamilton100 efforts to bring the Commonwealth games to the city of Hamilton. If the proposed volleyball facility gets constructed, we are confirming our interested in booking 30 to 50 hours of court time during the week and weekends. We are also interested in an area to lease about 300 sq. ft. that can be used for office administration and storage.

We are supportive in the Commonwealth Games and all the new development that comes with it

Should you have any questions, regarding our programs and space requirements, please don't hesitate to contact by email dengoso@gmail.com or my cell phone 905 517 9999

Marcus Lee

President, Hamilton Volleyball

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February 27, 2020

To:

Brain MacPherson, CEO

Commonwealth Games Canada

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We wish to pledge our support to bringing the games to Hamilton in 2030 and in helping the Hamilton 100 committee in anyway possible. As a 100 person waterpolo club we represent many players and families in the region. The Commonwealth Games means a lot to me personally as I participated in the 1990 Games and I want nothing more then my city to experience the joy and passion these games bring.

Grey Fairley

Chief Executive Officer

Hammer Waterpolo Club



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March 4, 2020

Mr. P. J. Mercanti,
President, Hamilton 100 Commonwealth Bid Corporation
Hamilton City Centre
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Hamilton, ON
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Dear Mr. Mercanti:

Our Association is pleased to support your Organization's bid to host the 2030 Commonwealth Games.

The Ontario Amateur Wrestling Association would obviously be very pleased to have the 2030 Commonwealth Games take place in Ontario. The sport of Wrestling is alive and well in Ontario, including a strong base of youth participation and an excellent High Performance system. Within a two-hour drive of Hamilton, there are thousands of young wrestling participants, dozens of Youth Wrestling Clubs, and five High Performance Training Clubs, including the **Hamilton Wrestling Club**. The Greater Hamilton/Niagara Region has a rich history of participation and high performance in Olympic Wrestling, most notably, **Ms. Tonya Verbeek** – 3-time Olympic Medalist in wrestling, comes from the town of Beamsville, less than ½ hour from Hamilton.

Hamilton and area have hosted a number of International level wrestling competitions over the years:

Canada Cup of International Wrestling – Junior & Senior	2004-2018	Guelph
Commonwealth Wrestling Championships	2003	London *
Commonwealth Wrestling Championships	2007	London
Canada Cup of International Wrestling – Senior	2003	Guelph
Canada Cup of International Wrestling – Senior	1997-1999	Guelph
World Senior Wrestling Championships	1993	Toronto
Canada Cup of International Wrestling – Senior	1992	Hamilton
Pan-American Wrestling Championships	1992	London
Canada Cup of International Wrestling – Senior	1991	Hamilton

** In fact, the 2003 Commonwealth Championships were hosted with the support of the Hamilton 2010 Commonwealth Bid Committee.*

Many Provincial and National events have also been hosted in and around Hamilton.

In addition, the Hamilton area boasts a strong volunteer base both in our sport and a wide range of others, in particular the **2015 Pan American Games**. Hamilton is within easy commuting distance of a large potential spectator market, including the U.S. North-East, a hotbed of interest in Wrestling and many sports.

Overall, we gladly lend support to a Hamilton-hosted Commonwealth Games. Good luck to you and your Bid Committee in your efforts to bring the Games to Hamilton. The economic and sporting benefits and legacy to the City, the Region and all of Ontario would be fantastic! Thank you for your efforts.

Yours Sincerely,

Jason O'Neil
President, OAWA





P.J. Mercanti
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November 13, 2019

Dear P.J.,

Stoney Creek Athletics actively supports the opportunity to bring the 2030 Commonwealth Games back to Hamilton. As a leader in the track and field community, our organization realizes the importance of sport and the role it plays in developing participants of all ages and abilities. Stoney Creek Athletics is a major advocate of the Hamilton 100 Bid and bringing the Commonwealth Games home.

Hamilton hosted the first British Empire Games in Hamilton in 1930; it would be a remarkable legacy to bring the games back. There are numerous benefits for our wonderful city and for our residents of Hamilton.

The track and field community welcomes new and improved track and field facilities for our athletes to use after the games have concluded. As this will greatly assist with the athletic development for hundred of young athletes in our community for years to come.

Sincerely,

Val Sarjeant
President



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Jan 15, 2020
Re: Hamilton100 Commonwealth Games bid

Dear Vanessa,

I am writing in response to a request from P. J. Mercanti for a letter of support for the Hamilton100 Commonwealth Games bid.

Recently Greg Maychak shared the vision of the Hamilton100 Commonwealth Games committee and it is extremely encouraging to see this amazing opportunity at our doorstep. HCBA and Hamilton Accessible Sports Council (HASC) leaders feel that we're seeing the potential for accelerated growth and development in our city for competitive and recreational sports for people with disabilities.

Hamilton Challenger Baseball (HCBA) has been in Hamilton for 30 years and is providing 4 athletic activities over 8 months each year for up to 220 participants. We also host a variety of social activities for participants, their families and friends. Our leaders are responding to the trend for increased participation, awareness and support for sports and rec programs for people with disabilities in Hamilton. We're considering options for restructuring with the hope of developing and supporting new programs, increasing participation in existing programs and increasing sustainability in the programs.

So, with this in mind, we feel that the timing of the Commonwealth Games bid for Hamilton is perfect. We are willing to jump on board and offer support and assistance in the area of sports for people with disabilities. Interestingly, we may very soon be including Paralympic Bocce in our Winter program and we are also willing to consider adding additional Paralympic sports providing financial support is available and providing we're successful at recruiting volunteers.

Thank You to the Hamilton100 committee for your impressive vision and efforts. We wish you much success in your endeavors.

Mike Moore

Board Chairman - Hamilton Challenger Baseball
Director - Hamilton Accessible Sports Council

HCBA provides the opportunity for challenged youth and adults to enjoy the physical and social benefits and the challenges of participating in team sports at recreational or competitive skill levels

For additional information, view our website at <https://www.hcba.on.ca/>, email us at hcba.connect@outlook.com or call our voicemail service @ 905-521-5141 Canadian Charitable Corporation Number 88761 2968 RR0001





February 26, 2020

Mr Brian McPherson CEO
Commonwealth Games Canada
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It is with great enthusiasm and confidence that I submit this letter of support for the Hamilton 100 bid for the 2030 Commonwealth Games. The Commonwealth Games has deep historical significance in Hamilton, and this bid represents far more than simply just another bid to host a major sporting event, as may be the case with other potential hosts. The inspiration of Bobby Robinson in hosting the first Commonwealth Games of 1930 (known then as the Empire Games) in Hamilton left a legacy and love for the Commonwealth Games that lives on today.

Hamilton has consistently expressed and invested in bids to host the Commonwealth Games over the past several decades. The Hamilton 100 represents the genuine interest of this community to bring back the Commonwealth Games to its origins. To celebrate the 100th anniversary in Hamilton will undoubtedly be an extraordinary festival of sport and culture.

“The Commonwealth Games are to Canada what the Olympics are to Greece. They exist because Canada created them. The Games continue to exist because they are driven by shared value, offering excellence both on and off the field of play....Each time Canada has hosted the Commonwealth Games has been a game-changer to the Commonwealth movement” (The Conversation – Culture and Society April 4, 2018).

Hamilton will be “a game changer for the Commonwealth movement”. Hamilton is ready to welcome once again the athletes, officials and the nations of the Commonwealth and to celebrate the 100th anniversary of the Commonwealth Games. The legacy from the 2030 Hamilton Games will be far reaching.

As the former Athletic Director at McMaster University, and member of a number of Commonwealth bid committees over the years in Hamilton, I fully endorse this bid and the leadership of the Hamilton 100 bid committee.

Respectfully submitted,

Therese A. Quigley

ArcelorMittal Dofasco G.P.
Flat Carbon Steel



City of Hamilton
General Issues Committee
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February 7, 2020

2030 Commonwealth Games Bid

Committee Members,

On behalf of ArcelorMittal Dofasco, I am pleased to express our support for the Hamilton100 bid for the 2030 Commonwealth Games in Hamilton.

We understand the Hamilton100 bid committee has identified the 2030 Commonwealth Games as an opportunity to be a catalyst for social transformation through its support and alignment of these Games with the United Nation’s Sustainable Development Goals (SDG). These goals are also at the core of our company’s sustainable development framework and I believe will be a differentiator in guiding the hosting of an international sporting event.

We are behind any project that has the potential to benefit and enrich the social and environmental aspects of Hamilton and wish the bid committee well in its efforts to bring the 2030 Commonwealth Games to Hamilton.

Sincerely,

Tony Valeri
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February 18, 2020

Mr. Brian MacPherson
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Dear Mr. MacPherson:

HAMILTON100 - 2030 COMMONWEALTH GAMES

IBI Group, Hamilton, is proudly supporting the Hamilton100 bid, providing transportation expertise garnered from previous Games. IBI Group has a long history of contributing to international events throughout the world – from Canada to India, and from the UK to the UAE.

We are a proud Canadian company, and the prospect of another event in our home country brings significant interest and excitement to us all. Having been a part of the transformative experience that an international event can bring to a community, we are fully supportive of this endeavour.

Hamilton will benefit in more ways than can be counted, with significant tangible legacies, and, perhaps more importantly, softer intangible ones – like pride in one's community, confidence gained by being a part of something bigger than oneself, skills learned that find their way into the CVs of the thousands of volunteers making them more employable. Combined, these hard and soft legacies make communities better, stronger and more livable – which is what IBI Group is all about.

We have local expertise in Hamilton, and a global network that would support the 2030 Commonwealth Games. IBI Group has experience in all phases - from bid through to planning, operations, and legacy - and we will be there to contribute to Hamilton100 throughout. The team that makes up the local committee could not be more passionate about the potential for 2030, and we are excited to be involved.

Please consider this letter IBI Group's commitment of support to Hamilton100. We will be watching the deliberations closely and looking forward to a positive result!

Yours truly,

IBI GROUP

Scott Stewart
Chief Executive Officer

IBI Group Professional Services (Canada) Inc. is a member of the IBI Group of companies



March 5, 2020

P.J. Mercanti
Hamilton 100 Commonwealth Games Bid Corporation
300 – 77 James Street North
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RE: Letter of Support for Hamilton 100's 2030 Commonwealth Games Bid

Dear Mr. P.J. Mercanti,

With this letter we would like to express our support for bringing the 2030 Commonwealth Games back to the birthplace of the event, Hamilton, for the 100th anniversary. The city located in Southern Ontario, Canada was the founding city of the Games back in 1930. With the support of local government, public institutions, private industry and community, Hamilton is bidding to host the 2030 Games.

The Commonwealth Games is an internationally renowned event that brings people together. The Games brings together 71 nations and territories, comprising one third of the world's population, ranging from populous countries like India with over 1.2 billion people, to Niue with a population of 1,600.

McCallumSather is a one of three local architecture firms providing design and venue planning consulting services to support Hamilton's bid for the 2030 Games. It is our pleasure to continue supporting the bid as we submit to Commonwealth Games Canada and Federation. Our team at McCallumSather and two partner firms provide Hamilton 100 with the capacity and resources to submit a compelling bid, based on high quality venue planning and design.

Founded in Hamilton in 1996, McCallumSather has grown to become the largest architecture, interiors and mechanical engineering firm in the region, with a diverse team of creative, tenacious and innovative professionals, mirroring the energy which surrounds us in Hamilton. Our firm's mission is to advance sustainable design intelligence and our vision is to transform design to create a more resilient world. As a leader in sustainability, we offer our expertise to ensure that the permanent venues are sustainable, resilient and leave a lasting legacy.

2030 is Hamilton's time to bring the Games home. We look forward to supporting Hamilton 100 as the bid proceeds.

Sincerely,

Joanne McCallum OAA, FRAIC, LEED AP
CEO

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October 21, 2019

P.J. Mercanti, President
Hamilton 100 Bid Corporation
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Dear PJ,

On behalf of Pier 8 Group I would like to extend our enthusiastic support for the efforts of Hamilton 100 to bring the 2030 Commonwealth Games to Hamilton. We are supporting this bid because we believe the Commonwealth Games is the kind of project that can help to make Hamilton a more successful, vibrant and sustainable city.

We understand that the Commonwealth Games is more than just a 12-day sporting event. It's an opportunity to transform our city with new investments in sport facilities and municipal infrastructure that will provide a lasting legacy to the community.

For all of these reasons and more, this is a project that we're excited to support. Our company stands ready to help in any way that we can.

Sincerely,

Bob Mills, BA, RGD
President



November 8, 2019

P.J. Mercanti
President, Hamilton 100 Bid Corporation

Dear P.J.,

On behalf of 2Gen.Net, I'm pleased to support Hamilton 100's plan to bring the 2030 Commonwealth Games to Hamilton.

As one this city's leading website and applications developers, we are excited by your ideas for the digital transformation of the Commonwealth Games. We believe this could be an amazing opportunity for companies in Hamilton's ICT sector to showcase their knowledge and skills by working together to develop the digital tools needed for the Games.

Hamilton was recently ranked as the #1 fastest growing mid-size city in Canada for tech talent (CBRE 2019). The Commonwealth Games will provide our ICT businesses with many opportunities to sustain and extend that growth.

Once again, let me extend my support for Hamilton 100. 2Gen.Net stands ready to help in any way we can.

Sincerely,

Ed Kopas
CEO and Managing Partner
2Gen.Net





March 5, 2020

To: Rick Powers, President
Commonwealth Games
2451 Promenade Riverside Drive
Ottawa ON K1H 7X7

Re: Hamilton 100
Commonwealth Games Bid Corporation
Letter of Support

Dear Mr. Powers,

What better way to celebrate the centenary of the Commonwealth Games than by bringing them back to where it all began - and appreciate the extraordinary growth, diversity and inclusiveness of Hamilton, Ontario. A truly friendly city that reflects the goals and aspirations of the Commonwealth Games.

For over 40 years, Flamborough Connects has been supporting the rural communities of the Greater City of Hamilton. Flamborough Connects “brings people and resources together” and we are delighted to lend our experience and expertise in community engagement to this historic opportunity.

Flamborough Connects is an information and referral resource, a front-line community service provider and a volunteer centre. We are linked to community non-profits, schools, service clubs, recreational groups, faith organizations, businesses – and residents. We work collaboratively with partner organizations throughout the Greater City of Hamilton and take pride in sharing Flamborough’s unique contributions and experiences with a city that is representative of Canada.

We are excited that Hamilton is planning this bid and look forward to sharing that enthusiasm and community investment to ensure the Games will be successful in every way.

Sincerely,

Amelia Steinbring
Executive Director

Donna Czukar
Board Chair



Village Theatre Waterdown,
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March 3, 2020
Mr. Rick Powers,
President, Canadian Commonwealth Games,
2451 Promenade Riverside Drive,
Ottawa, ON K1H 7I7

Dear Mr. Powers,

Village Theatre Waterdown Inc. (VT) is a proud and established group of volunteers passionate for theatre arts. VT fosters a unique cultural experience within the greater Hamilton community, bringing “live theatre in the heart of Waterdown”.

Since 1973, VT has provided a creative outlet for hundreds of volunteer local actors, directors, designers, lighting and sound technicians, to express their ideas and share their passion for the performing arts. A diverse group of people continually introduce culture to a new generation by actively seeking young people to perform, volunteer and learn the art of theatre.

Village Theatre Waterdown Inc. offers support to the bid for the Hamilton 100 Canadian Commonwealth Games 2030. The social development and catalyst for economic growth will provide opportunities for the community to contribute for a successful event. The Hamilton community will greatly benefit from the social impact creating possible enhanced venues for sport and entertainment. Proven volunteers and newly required will support the event with proven enthusiasm.

Hamilton’s art and culture community flourish. VT is committed to being part of that community and grateful for the continued support of City of Hamilton.

Respectfully submitted,

Elaine Hale,
President
Village Theatre Waterdown Inc.



November 20, 2019

P.J. Mercanti Hamilton
100 Bid Corporation President
Hamilton City Centre
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Dear Mr. Mercanti,

It is with great pleasure that Wesley offers their support for Hamilton to host the 2030 Commonwealth Games. Outstandingly, should the Games return to this city in 2030 it would be a historical event, marking Hamilton’s 100th year since the last time we hosted in 1930. It seems a natural process to bring the Games back to its humble beginnings. This marks a huge point in history for Hamilton and we have grown so much since then as a city.

Our agency assists people of Hamilton of all ages and demographics, and with something as big as the Commonwealth Games, we anticipate it would only bring more opportunities for our youth and families. As a community-serving agency, we hope the Commonwealth Games will bring more job opportunities, and affordable housing for people of our city, utilizing the infrastructure developed for this endeavour. With the Games in Hamilton, we can expand and build on existing services to better meet the needs of our municipality.

Hosting the Commonwealth Games right here in Hamilton for 2030 would be exciting, inclusive, and so much potential for all of Hamilton. Wesley is in full support of this ambitious dream.

Let’s bring the games back to Hamilton for its 100th year!

All the best,

Denise Scott
Senior Director of Children, Youth and Family Services



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February 26, 2020

Brian MacPherson, CEO
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Dear Brian:

Hamilton, Ontario is a wonderful city in which to work and live. It has a growing population, close proximity to Toronto, easy traffic flows, and great transportation options. Additionally, Hamilton’s investment in infrastructure, including athletic facilities and sport teams, make it a great option to host the Commonwealth Games in 2030. On top of that, having served as the host for the 1930 Games, no other location has the historic, sentimental, and emotional appeal to host the centennial anniversary of the Commonwealth Games on 2030. As president of Redeemer University, I’m thrilled that Redeemer is part of a Commonwealth effort to bring the Games home in 2030.

It’s difficult to overstate the long term positive impact of hosting the 1930 Games to the City of Hamilton. Since the 1930 Games, Hamilton has developed a rich culture that appreciates and participates in athletic events of all kinds. Further, Hamilton’s ethos has been shaped by the 1930 Games. We believe the opportunity to host the 2030 Commonwealth Games would be every bit as transformational.

Thank you for this opportunity to showcase our great city and our passion for these very special, and historically significant Games.

Sincerely,

Robert J. Graham, PhD



HAMILTON100

COMMONWEALTH GAMES BID CORPORATION

2030 COMMONWEALTH GAMES

HOSTING PROPOSAL APPENDIX A

AUGUST 2022



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