CAMPAIGN FOR ADEQUATE WELFARE AND DISABILITY BENEFITS C/O FIRST PILGRIM UNITED CHURCH

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TO: Mayor, Andrea Horwath and All Councillors
City of Hamilton
71 Main St. West
August 16, 2023

REGARDING: Staff Report to the Emergency and Community Services

With respect to: Revised - Addressing Renovictions, Tenant Displacement and Property Standards in apartment buildings

Greetings from members of The Campaign for Adequate Welfare and Disability Benefits

We wish to congratulate you and Thank You on the important changes that are being proposed by city staff to the above mentioned areas of Renovictions, Tenant Displacement and Property Standards in Apartment buildings.

We as a grassroots group, have a number of members who have experienced the devastating effects renovictions have had on their lives. With no available supports, they have had to endure homelessness due to the growing exorbitant rental prices in the city and face hunger and compromised health issues. They have had to live with debilitating insecurity which led to depressions and aggravated their mental health .

There are thousands of our Hamilton community members that have gone through, and are going through similar situations. **No one should have to face these dreadful circumstances ever again.**

Please make sure that these proposed changes are put in place as soon as possible and not wait till 2025 for their implementation. **Enough suffering !!! Time to create a truly caring community.**

Sincerely,

Elizabeth McGuire, Chair, Jay Cruz, Vice Chair, Joanne Johnson, Treasurer and Josie D'Amico, David Galvin Members

For All Members of The Campaign for Adequate Welfare and Disability Benefits.