

To: Hamilton City Council

From: Barry Livingston
Ward 1 Resident

Re: Proposed Re-location of
Hamilton Aviary

To Whom It May Concern,

I have been a resident of Ward 1 for a number of years, and I also grew up in the Westdale area in the 1970s.

The aviary in its current location offers a myriad of social, mental health and educational benefits for the surrounding community.

I often see children of all ages enjoying visits, and learning about the birds, and human/animal interaction in the process. (over)

It is accessible to three schools and McMaster University. People with medical conditions and other disabilities, including myself, are able to access the aviary with relative ease.

If it were to be moved to the east end or further afield, it would cut off access to many of the people who currently visit and volunteer there.

As well, moving the flock would subject them to undue stress, and also potentially dramatically decrease the social exposure they thrive on.

Please make the humane choice, and allow the aviary to remain where it is.

Thank you.

