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Good Morning Councillor Nan & City Clerk,

First, I am grateful for what the Councillors & the City does for our community and in making Hamilton Family-Friendly. I am writing this letter in hopes that my small contribution of opinion would matter. I personally love animals and it would be a missed opportunity if we don't preserve the aviary. I strongly believe that the Hamilton Aviary at 85 Oak Knoll Drive would have a better future in a new location instead of rehoming the birds.

As the City builds up new infrastructures and gain in population, new family attractions would be beneficial in the long term. Relocating the aviary would create opportunities for families to have more places to enjoy with their children within the city and for more generations to come. It would also preserve the Aviary's legacy of their hard work and dedication in caring for the birds.

We have wonderful big parks around the city which would be a suitable location for the new aviary. The Aviary being situated in the park have its benefits: 1). Easy Parking Access for parents 2). Wonderful exploration experience for the little ones. 3). The Aviary have its dedicated space where the Birds can thrive and still be a part of the community.

I do appreciate your time and consideration. I am confident that you Councillor Nan and the City would consider the best decision in continuing to make Hamilton Family-Friendly. Have a great week!

Regards,
Andrea