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Dear City of Hamilton, General Issues Committee:

Re: Request for Funding Consideration for the Hamilton Anti-Racism Resource Centre, concerning the 2024 Budget Process

As the Executive Director of the Hamilton Anti-Racism Resource Centre (HARRC), I am writing to request your consideration for the increased funding in the upcoming 2024 budget process.

The Hamilton Anti-Racism Resource Centre plays a crucial role in our community by providing education, resources, and support to individuals experiencing racism in Hamilton. As we strive to create an inclusive community and work toward the elimination of racism, antisemitism, Islamophobia, and discrimination, your support is instrumental in fostering positive change.

The current polarization and rise of extremism highlight the urgency of addressing issues related to racism. The Hamilton Anti-Racism Resource Centre has demonstrated its commitment to tackling these challenges head-on, but its impact can be significantly undermined without increased financial support.

I am aware of the financial constraints faced by the city, but I firmly believe that investing in HARRC is an investment in the future of Hamilton. Allocating additional funds to this essential resource will contribute to the well-being of marginalized communities and the strength of our city.

I urge that you prioritize funding HARRC in the 2024 budget deliberations. By doing so, we can collectively take steps towards providing key resources and support in the fight against racism.

I appreciate your time and consideration on this matter, and I hope you will support HARRC.

If you require any further information, please do not hesitate to contact me directly.

Thank you.

Lyndon George
Executive Director
HARRC