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To the Mayor & City Council of Hamilton,

This letter is in support of the motion to address the ongoing traffic fatalities and injuries occurring at Main St & Dundurn St and at King St & Dundurn St in Hamilton. This is an epidemic that needs to be addressed immediately. Every day the citizens of our city are subject to the dangerous conditions by having a 5-lane highway in a highly populated pedestrian area.

It has become such a terrifying situation that I choose not to walk down those streets and don't take my children through this area, even though the closest grocery store is within walking distance. This does not align with the city's goal of being the safest place to raise a child.

No one should lose their life or be gravely injured simply by walking down the street, or by having to drive in completely unsafe conditions for their job. Human beings in our city should not be afraid to walk down Main St or King St. because they don't want to be bowling pins in a death-trap alley of automobiles.

Half-measures such as a pedestrian walk-way, waiting for LRT (while more people die), and driver education have not and will not work to fix this. The only solution is for the council to act immediately and enact effective traffic calming measures, reducing the speed and amount of traffic in this area.

Choosing not to act on this issue is tantamount to negligence. Unless the council acts swiftly, more people will die.

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