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**Subject:** Thanks for your support of Bill 21: 'Protect Our Food Act'

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Good morning

We were happy to read the article in 'Flamborough Today' about Hamilton's firm support for protecting precious agricultural land, as shown July 9th. We agree with Mike Schreiner's presentation to the General Issues Committee: "Now is the time to protect our farmland, support farmers, and grow more food right here at home. Food security is national security, because without farms, there is no food, no future."

We are proud that the General Issues Committee unanimously passed McMeekin's motion to support Bill 21.

Special thanks to Ted McMeekin for his motion to support the new Foodbelt, continuing his many decades of support for Ontario Farmers.

Councillor Mark Tadeson, is also to be commended for consistently supporting the firm urban boundary, and farmland. "The farmland that is most in danger in our province is farmland owned by developers. Foodbelt protections could allow those developers to make different choices when buying land."

Thanks to all on Council for your attention to Mike Shreiner's presentation, explaining that Ontario is losing 319 acres of farmland each and every day, land that is instead being used for housing and commercial developments, highway projects, aggregate mining and other things.

Please continue your protection of Hamilton farmland. "Without farms, there is no food, no future."

Sincerely, Rose Janson and Family