From: John Hannah

Sent: Monday, November 21, 2011 1:19 PM

To: McHattie, Brian **Cc:** Hamzah Khan

Subject: Blue Community recognition for Hamilton

Good afternoon, Councillor McHattie,

I have a delegation of Middle School Students, representing our Environment Club, who would very much like to present a proposal to you and your Public Works Committee regarding Hamilton's potential designation as a "Blue Community".

We recognize that Hamilton is doing a lot of good work in the area of water management, but would like to propose seeking formal designation as a "Blue Community". Our school recently hosted a lecture and workshop with Maude Barlow from the Council of Canadians and she had some very inspiring words for us. From what we have learned, we feel that Hamilton would be an excellent candidate and could then be a terrific role model for other communities. Our Environment Club is seeking a meeting time with you to provide you with a more descriptive explanation of the "Blue Community" project and the obligations that would go with that designation. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me or my teacher, Mr. Hannah. Sincerely,

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Mr. John Hannah, Teacher Hillfield Strathallan College

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