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From: Teresa G

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To: Office of the Mayor; McHattie, Brian; Farr, Jason; Morelli, Bernie; Merulla, Sam; Collins, Chad; Jackson, Tom; Duvall, Scott; Whitehead, Terry; Clark, Brad; Pearson, Maria; Johnson, Brenda; Ferguson, Lloyd; Powers, Russ; Pasuta, Robert; Partridge, Judi; Gallagher, Mary

Subject: Urban Chickens - Petition

Good Afternoon,

Attached is a petition, begun on January 13, in support of urban chickens in Hamilton. I would like to submit this for the official record for the January 25th meeting.

There are three documents attached 1) a PDF of the petition list 2) an excel file of the petition list 3) an excel file of comments written by those who signed the petition.

More information:

This petition has been live online for less than two weeks, and it already has collected over 330 signatures from Hamilton citizens, as well as signatures from others in Ontario, Canada, and internationally.

You can find the petition online here:

<http://www.change.org/petitions/hamilton-city-council-allow-the-keeping-of-chickens-within-the-urban-city-limits-of-hamilton>

Because it is live, it continues to be open for signatures.

I, along with the other supporters who will join me on the 25th, look forward to your discussion on this topic.

Thank you,

Teresa Gregorio

To: Hamilton City Council

Subject: **Allow the keeping of chickens within the urban city limits of Hamilton**

Letter: Greetings,

I just signed the following petition addressed to: Hamilton City Council.

Allow the keeping of chickens within the urban city limits of Hamilton

Backyard chickens allow for fresh, extremely local food production on a small, manageable scale. The reasons cited for banning these animals from within city limits are unfounded. They pose no greater health risk than cats and are not anywhere near the noise disturbance of dogs. Responsible pet ownership makes urban chickens not only efficient food producers, but sensible animals to allow within the city limits of Hamilton.

Sincerely,