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Subject: RE: Opposed to Licensing of Rental Properties in Hamilton

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To: clerk@hamilton.ca

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Dear Madam / Sir of the Hamilton City Council,

I'm writing this email to show my support to oppose the licensing of rental properties in Hamilton. I have been both a renter and as an investor in my beautiful city of Hamilton for over 20 years. By imposing a licensing fee, we are only going to discourage new investors in the city and the same time run out existing investors due to additional costs. This city has grown to become one of the loveable cities in Canada, because of investors, great tenants due to affordable rental properties and smart leadership from the City Council committee.

By introducing the licensing fee we are only going to keep investors away, and making it unaffordable for people to rent. Hence, investors and current Hamiltonians moving out to surrounding areas, just like what has happened in Kitchener/Waterloo.

In conclusion I ask you to please consider carefully to the proposed licensing fee to rental properties.

- Licensing fails to deal with problem tenants and neglected properties.
- Licensing does not improve safety or any other standards that building must maintain.
- ·Licensing stops investment growth in Hamilton.
- Licensing of increases rent. Tenants cant afford another cost.

Thank you in advance,

Dushan Bala