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The Hon. Doug Ford, Premier

The Hon. Paul Calandra, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing

Dear Premier and Minister,

As a resident of Halton Hills, I am writing to ask you to please give power back to municipalities to be able to enforce their Secondary Plans. Local council members, Town staff and residents have worked hard over many years to create Secondary Plans which impact the areas they live in. The current Provincial Government is negating this investment of time and energy and giving away the municipal power to developers who have no personal interest or connection to the communities they are developing.

In Halton Hills and other municipalities, there are many who have dedicated a great deal of time to our Secondary Plans. These Secondary Plans reflect the type of community people are wanting to live in, and have been created by the people living there. Currently developers bypass Municipalities at the earliest opportunity and go directly to the Ontario Land Tribunal (OLT). Tribunal members do not have local knowledge. Each OLT session is chaired by a different OLT member, there is no consistency throughout the proceedings.

Local councils should be able to ensure that this work is honoured and ensure the communities that people have chosen to live in will be developed in a way that honours that choice.

If this government is truly a "Government for the people", please prove it and respect where the people of Ontario live and the choices they have made to live there. Give the power back to Municipal Governments to uphold Secondary Plans.

Thank you,