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Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing  
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Toronto, Ontario  
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RE: ERO FILE NUMBER 019-6216  
Proposed Amendments to the Greenbelt Plan  
Lands Located in the City of Hamilton  
South of Garner Road West, West of Fiddlers Green Road, East of Shaver Road  
In the Vicinity of Book Road West – Map 9 to ERO FILE 019-6216

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I am the current owner of lands through the settlement of my mother's estate, Charlotte Powell, within the above noted area that is proposed to be removed from the Greenbelt Plan. My lands are specifically located at 392 Garner Road West, Ancaster, ON L9G 3K9

I support the removal of these lands from the Greenbelt for the following reasons:

- The inclusion of the subject lands in Greenbelt was contrary to the City of Hamilton's plans for growth, staff position and that of their consultants engaged in the Greenbelt review process.
- There is no planning or scientific justification to support the previous decision to include the lands in the Greenbelt. The inclusion appears arbitrary, especially considering that parcels of tender fruit lands were removed at the same time.
- The placement of these lands into the Greenbelt had the immediate and long-term effect of depreciating the value of my property and that of my neighbours. Many of us have resided in this area and established business that are generational in tenure and our family future depends on maintaining this asset into retirement.
- I understand that the City of Hamilton requires these lands to meet housing needs to address affordability and supply issues. This area has excellent accessibility to major highways and community services in the abutting urban area of Hamilton and the Ancaster community.
- I strongly support Provincial and Municipal initiatives to increase the supply of housing in my community.

Yours truly,

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