

December 5, 2020

The Honourable Steve Clark  
Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing  
777 Bay Street, 17<sup>th</sup> Floor  
Toronto, ON M5G 2E5

Dear Minister Clark,

Please accept this letter as my resignation from the Greenbelt Council, effective immediately.

I have thoroughly enjoyed the opportunity to work with such a knowledgeable and dedicated group of people, but the Government's recent actions relating to Schedule 6 of Bill 229 have left me no choice but to resign. I cannot in good conscience continue in this role when, contrary to the advice of the Greenbelt Council, the Government fails to recognize the long-term importance of integrated watershed planning and the key roles played by Conservation Authorities in environmental stewardship. I also find it disturbing that the traditional public consultation and natural justice rights enjoyed by the people of Ontario in planning for growth are being circumvented through a dramatic increase in the use of Ministerial Zoning Orders.

That the Government is taking these actions in the middle of a pandemic is particularly troubling.

Respectfully,



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Member, Greenbelt Council

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