

Town of Halton Hills Council objects to proposed Federal Electoral Boundary Changes

Town of Halton Hills Council at its meeting held the 3rd day of September, 2002 unanimously supported the following resolution regarding proposed changes to Canada's Federal Electoral Boundaries:

"WHEREAS Federal law requires that representation of the provinces in the House of Commons be readjusted after each ten year census to reflect changes and movements in Canada's population;

AND WHEREAS the Ontario Representation Act, 1996 provides that the number, names and boundaries of Ontario's provincial electoral districts are identical to the federal electoral districts;

AND WHEREAS a federal electoral boundaries commission for each province is in charge of the readjustment;

AND WHEREAS the Chief Electoral Officer of Canada provides each commission with population data from the 2001 census and the electoral quota for its province;

AND WHEREAS in Ontario, the total population of 11,410,046 divided by the number of seats in the House of Commons allocated to the province (106) gives an electoral quota of 107,642;

AND WHEREAS the Commission draws electoral district boundaries so that the population in each remains as close as possible to the calculated quota;

AND WHEREAS the Commission may deviate from the average population figure to respect the historical pattern of an electoral district, to preserve the unity of individuals with a common interest;

AND WHEREAS the Federal Electoral Boundaries Commission for Ontario has proposed that the Town of Halton Hills, currently located in the federal / provincial ridings coinciding with the Regional Municipality of Halton be split into two ridings, Halton and Dufferin-Wellington-Halton;

AND WHEREAS the Town of Halton Hills has been privileged to mutually share and problem discuss Federal/Provincial /Municipal matters with elected members sharing common boundaries, interests and issues;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Corporation of the Town of Halton Hills vigorously oppose the proposal to split Halton Hills into two ridings;

AND FURTHER THAT the current electoral riding within which the Town of Halton Hills is located, remain as part of the Regional Municipality of Halton;

AND FURTHER THAT the Corporation of the Town of Halton Hills register its objection to the proposed boundaries and electoral district names, and its desire to appear before the Electoral Boundaries Commission at a public hearing, prior to October 12, 2002;

AND FURTHER THAT the Municipality notify the Commission Secretary that it wishes to make representations at the Public Hearing scheduled for Monday December 2, 2002, at the Mississauga location at the Hilton Garden Inn, Huron Room 100 Traders Boulevard at 9:30 a.m.;

AND FURTHER THAT this motion be forwarded to the Regional Municipality of Halton and its member municipalities, and sitting MPs and MPPs;

AND FURTHER THAT this motion be publicized in its entirety to Halton media publications."

Town of Halton Hills Council encourages you to express your opinion on the proposed boundaries. To express your opinion you may appear before the Commission at the public hearing, you must send a notice to the Commission Secretary:

Mr. Will Fripp, Secretary
Federal Electoral Boundaries Commission for Ontario
1210-150 York Street
Toronto, ON M5H 3S5
Fax (416)306-2214 or toll free 1-866-237-1376

You may also submit your notice electronically by completing an online form at www.elections.ca. Simply go to Federal Representation 2004, click on Federal Electoral Boundaries Commissions, locate the province then click on Public Hearings.

Your notice must be post marked no later than October 12, 2002.

A hearing is scheduled for Monday, December 2, 2002 at 9:30 a.m. at:

Hilton Garden Inn, Huron Room 100 Traders Boulevard, Mississauga.

If you are unable to appear before the Commission, you can mail, fax or e-mail a written submission to the Commission.

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HOMETOWN HELP: Acton IGA recently held two fundraising events. IGA manager John Van Dam presented cheques to Craig McCleary from Halton Region EMS on behalf of the Diabetes DMC 2002 Tour and to Debbie Findlay on behalf of Acton Sports Action Park. Over \$400 dollars was raised for the Diabetes Association through \$1 donations at the cash register, while an additional \$412 was raised at the Kid's Concert Day for ASAP with IGA matching that donation. – Angela Tyler photo

'Lead by Example' is theme for Terry Fox Run Sunday

By Jon Hurst

This Sunday, September 15, a third decade of fundraising continues with the 22nd annual Terry Fox Run, which takes place at the Acton High School track from 8:00am to 3:00pm.

With hundreds of thousands of participants attending run sites across Ontario, Canada and around the world, the run has become the largest single-day fundraising event for cancer research in the world.

It should be emphasized that the Terry Fox Run is not an actual race, but a non-competitive family oriented fun event, with the object being to raise as

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Terry Fox

much money as possible for cancer research. It should also be noted that the Terry Fox Foundation has operated as a separate entity from the Canadian Cancer Society since 1988, with its own charitable registration

number, volunteer structure and staff.

It was Terry's wish that all proceeds from the run should be dedicated specifically to innovative cancer research.

The Acton run's official opening is at 8:00am with Acton Citizen of the Year Gary Barton cutting the ribbon, but participants can arrive any time between 8:00am and 3:00pm to run, jog, walk or cycle some or all of the 25 laps around the track. Terry Fox T-shirts, pullovers, hats, buttons and books will be on sale, with all proceeds added to our run total.

A food booth will be on site, serving the now famous Wally-whopper, sausage-on-a-bun, pop, coffee and doughnuts, with all products donated by local businesses, and all proceeds going directly to the run. A dedication board will be set up again, where participants and supporters can pay tribute to loved ones who have won, lost, or are currently waging their battle against cancer.

Pledge forms are available at all banks, variety stores, liquor store, Prosperity One Credit Union, Acton Home Hardware, Off the Wall Youth Centre, and all

schools. For help or information, please call Jon at 853-2015. You can also obtain educational information by visiting the Terry Fox Foundation website at www.terryfoxrun.org.

All participants of the Acton Terry Fox Run and their sponsors should be extremely proud of their efforts over the last 21 years, having raised over \$426,000.00 for cancer research. Last year alone almost \$29,000.00 was raised, placing Acton as the tenth highest run site in Ontario in the category of dollars raised per participant.

We should also be proud of the fact that Acton has been steadfastly committed to the principles and ideals of the Terry Fox Run since Terry and his Marathon of Hope passed through Acton on Wednesday, July 23, 1980.

If you would like to become part of this local fundraising effort, please join us Sunday, September 15, as together, we honour the memory of Terry Fox and continue his dream, that cancer can and will be beaten.

Some of Terry's Words: Determination

"Today we got up at 4:00am. As usual, it was tough, If I died, I would die happy because I was doing what I wanted to do. How many people could say that? I went out and did fifteen pushups in the road and took off. I want to set an example that will never be forgotten."

The Return of Cancer
I don't feel that this is unfair; that's the thing about cancer. I'm not the only one.
It happens all the time to other people. I'm not special. This just intensifies what I did – it gives it more meaning. It will inspire more people. I just wish people would realize anything's possible if they try, that dreams are made if people try."

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An Invitation To Become A Part of the Solution.

The Emergency Housing Advisory Group (a group of 15 community representatives chaired by Halton Region Chairman Joyce Savoline) is collecting information and advice for the development of criteria for siting an Emergency Shelter in Oakville. Please join the Emergency Housing Advisory Group Members at these Round Table discussions:

Thursday, September 19th, 2002
Halton Region Headquarters
1151 Bronte Road, Oakville
In the Auditorium 6:30 pm registration/7:00

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Individuals interested in attending are invited (but not required) to pre-register by phone at 905-825-6000 ext. 7998 or by e-mail at advisorygroup@region.halton.on.ca. On-site childcare will be available for participants but pre-registration for childcare spaces is required. Background materials, including a list of topics to be covered on the 19th, will be available for pick up Monday, September 16th at Halton Region Headquarters and on the Web site.