



A small, but loyal, group of local theatre-goers staged a last-ditch protest in front of the Dollarama store next to Georgetown Cinemas Tuesday night in hopes that the cinemas would remain open. The Dollarama store will take over the cinemas location in September.

Submitted photo

# Owner and customers lament closing of Georgetown Cinemas

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"We wanted to give them (area shoppers) a bigger, better Dollarama, and we jumped at it (the offer to rent the space)."

On Wednesday a saddened Irani was having the theatre equipment removed from the cinema and said he was to be officially out of the building yesterday (Thursday) afternoon.

"I've lost a good cinema and people have lost a good place to sit and enjoy entertainment," said Irani, who was hoping to stay open. "I'm just worried about the kids in

Georgetown. What are they going to do in the summer time?"

"It's really sad," said Georgetown resident Silvana Bezina, who has been fighting to keep the theatre open since she heard a week ago it was to close. "It will be really missed in the town."

"There's basically nothing we can do," said Bezina.

More than 2,000 signatures had been collected on a petition to save the cinema. They still intend to send the petition to the owner of the plaza, said Bezina.



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## Georgetown Candlelight Tributes

Candlelight Tributes honour and recognize the sacrifices and achievements of all those who served overseas and on the home front in the cause of Peace and Freedom. These ceremonies were held on May 8th 2008 marking Victory in Europe Day (VE-Day).

The Georgetown Candlelight Tributes committee is an autonomous group of concerned citizens working independently from the Town of Halton Hills. The committee has a close association with the Royal Canadian Legion (Georgetown) Branch 120. The committee raises all funds for the project directly from the public. As well, all expenditures incurred are paid from the funds raised by the committee.

Please join us, the committee members of the Georgetown Candlelight Tributes, Barry Timleck, Glenda Black, Tom Schenk, Shel Lawr, Rein Pater, Connie Van Goch, Andrea Van De Valk, Lesley Bruce, Dick Scheeringa and Alison Brown in thanking all of the personal and business donors; community Service Clubs and Associations; and friends who so generously supported this worthwhile community project:

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The committee would also like to acknowledge the following for their support: volunteers, Air Cadets, Army Cadets, the 1,265 students and their teachers representing 18 schools who participated during the day, the Ladies Auxiliary - RCL Branch 120 for the Veterans' Luncheon, the Halton Regional Police, The Lorne Scots (Peel, Dufferin and Halton Regiment), all participants in the evening Silent Walk, RCL Branch 120 for the reception and especially "All Our Veterans" who richly deserve these Candlelight Tributes.

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