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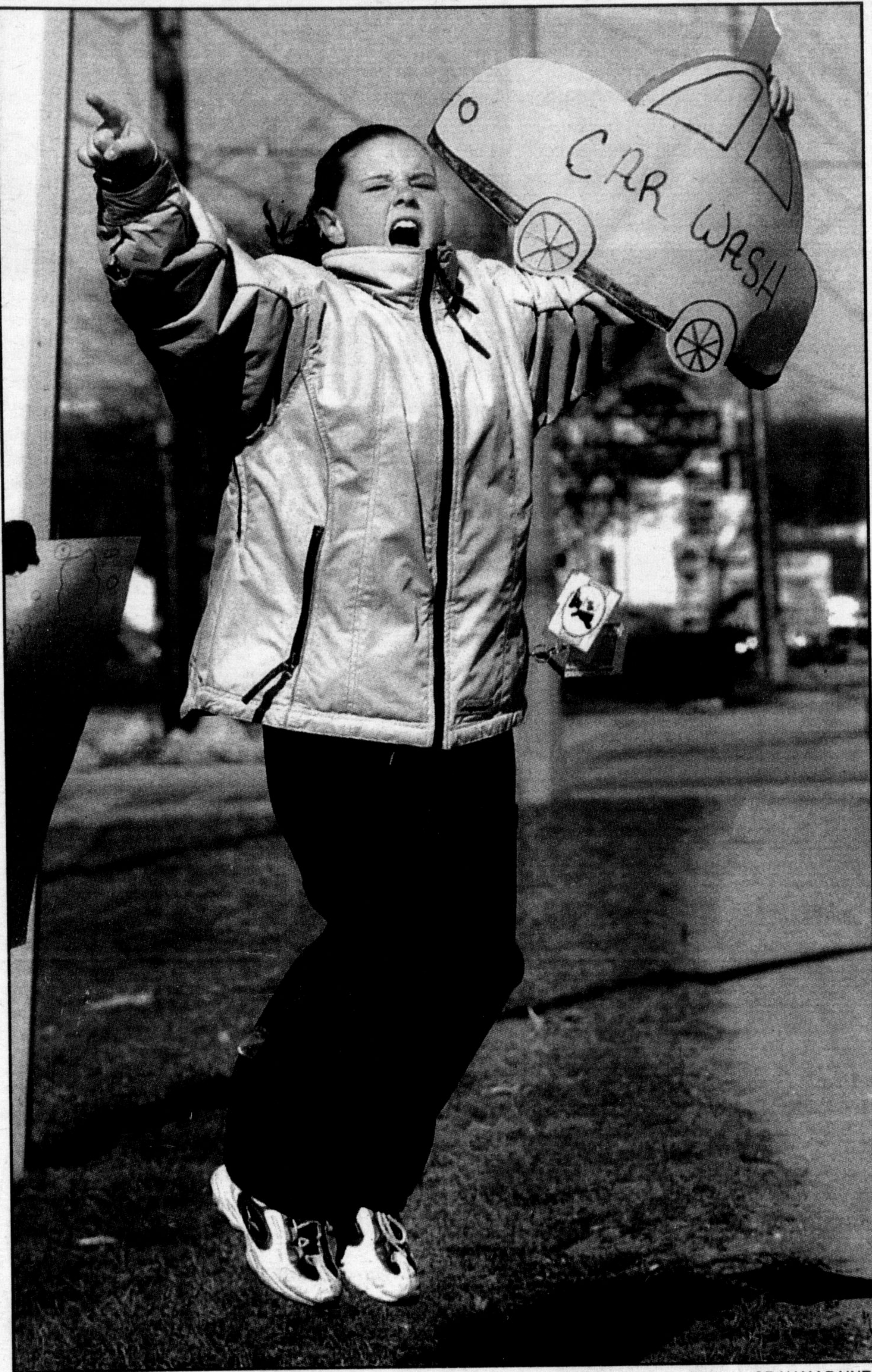


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✓ Hard sell tactics

Our Lady of Victory School student Rachel Nadalin enthusiastically tries to lure drivers to a charity car wash in the parking lot of Canadian Tire Saturday. She and her classmates staged the car wash in conjunction with the school's penny drive.

NE lands hearing wrap-up delayed until next month

By IRENE GENTLE

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The conclusion of a joint board hearing meant to settle the fate of two tracts of land at the base of the Niagara Escarpment has been delayed until next month.

A decision had been tentatively scheduled to come down Friday.

Instead the board, which consists of members of the Ontario Municipal Board and Environmental Assessment and Appeal Board, will begin hearing final summations April 18.

Three days have been penciled in for the summations, which will mark the last stage of a controversial hearing that has been unfolding at Town Hall for weeks.

Its primary purpose has been to allow applicants Central Milton Holdings and the numbered company 825927 Ontario Inc., owned by Joseph Curcuruto, to present a case for having their lands deleted from the protective Niagara Escarpment Plan (NEP).

Release from the plan, or redesignation within it, would allow the properties to develop as part of Milton's urban expan-

**"Today is March 17, 2000,
and it occurs to you today
that this is not accurate?"**

JOHN O'KANE

sion area. Opponents of the application feel the lands should remain a rural buffer area to protect the character of the escarpment, which was declared a world biosphere in 1990.

The two properties run roughly along Bronte Road to the east, Main Street West to the south, Tremaine Road to the west and the Canadian Pacific Railway line.

When the summations are through, the destiny of the lands will be in the hands of board members Norman Jackson, Pauline Browes and David Hutcheon.

Friday was the final day of the hearing before the month-long hiatus. It was spent largely in the cross examination of NEC senior environmental planner Marion Plant by Mr. Curcuruto's lawyer, John O'Kane.

The NEC has been a strong advocate for
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✓ Thieves get \$14,000 in golf gear

A break-in early Thursday morning at Clarke Golf Service on Thompson Road netted thieves about \$14,000 worth of clothing and golf equipment.

At about 12:45 a.m., a worker in an adjoining unit heard the store's alarm going off.

Halton Regional Police responded, but the thieves had fled by the time they arrived.

Police searched the area for a white van seen at the premise, but couldn't locate it.

The front door of the store was pried open.

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TIP OF THE MONTH:

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