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Carr's petition good news in terminal fight

Halton MP Gary Carr's plan to start a petition opposing CN's intermodal terminal is an example of an elected representative serving his community well.

As reported elsewhere in this newspaper, Mr. Carr is spearheading a drive against the controversial intermodal terminal proposed for south Milton.

Starting next month, Mr. Carr's office will mail out petitions, which he plans to personally deliver to Parliament Hill.

We think it's safe to say the majority of Miltonians are against this proposal, so any politician truly representing his constituents would also take this stand.

And we're pleased to see Mr. Carr is standing behind the view on the terminal he expressed during his campaign.

With the backing of Mr. Carr, Milton may just be able to thwart this intrusive development, which contravenes the Official Plan, stands to ruin the area as we know it and clearly has no place in south Milton.



Our Readers Write

August 6 cartoon with Statue of Liberty dressed up in protective gear not amusing

Dear Editor:

I was somewhat miffed by the editorial cartoon in the August 6 Champion showing the Statue of Liberty dressed up in armour and holding an automatic weapon.

Would your cartoonist have preferred that an additional hi-jacked aircraft have eradicated the Statue of Liberty — as well as the twin towers and a portion of the Pentagon — thereby negating the need to have the statue depicted in protective body armour?

Or is he or she merely incensed or

inconvenienced by the now very real need to have very much increased defensive measures in place in North America and the free world?

Has your cartoonist been educated in graphics only, or does he or she possess an educational background in international or strategic studies as well?

Regardless, he or she is quite correct in stating that, "It's just not the same since 9/11."

D.I. Richardson
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Milton's traffic problems getting out of hand

Dear Editor:

After reading last Tuesday's Champion, which seemed more to do with traffic and cars than anything else, I developed an extreme need to unload.

Firstly, we certainly don't need photo radar in Milton. With thousands of new people in town and not one new main road, we can barely move, let alone speed.

At least when Mississauga commits the mortal sin of urban sprawl they build the roads before people move in.

Why the heck have we not expanded Steeles, Derry and Britannia to four lanes yet?

Where do our politicians think all these new people are commuting to when they want to work or shop?

Second, isn't it great that we have

a transit system in town. But wait, it closes at 8:30 p.m. It doesn't take a degree in science to figure out that if Milton Mall closes at 9 p.m., anyone who works there or shops until closing will still have to take a car. Brilliant, just brilliant.

Third, parking continues to be a concern. Well isn't that a surprise. We let the developers build large homes on small lots. If you live in Milton, you have to have a car to get around.

The new roads are all narrow and the cars are everywhere. There are some houses with four cars and the owners park their vehicles on the road.

Finally, there's a proposed intermodal terminal that's planned for the west end of Milton.

Again, just brilliant. Yes it will

get trucks off Hwy. 401 between Windsor and here, but guess where they'll be getting back on? At Tremaine Road, just what we need.

In case no one planning these things has noticed, it's around Milton that the 401 eastbound becomes a nightmare for commuters.

All we need is another couple thousand trucks getting on at Tremaine to make our lives really special.

This is all just plain nuts. Our politicians at ever level have failed us in this regard.

I'm not against growth or progress, but what they're doing to us is destroying our quality of life.

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