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To: Mayor Marianne Meed Ward; Nisan, Rory

Cc: Wainman, Sheri

**Subject:** LaSalle Park Community Marina

Mayor Meed Ward and Councillor Nisan:

We are requesting your support for the City to open the LaSalle Park Community Marina this summer.

Despite both being transferred to Hamilton in 1978 when we were married, we chose to live in Burlington, a decision we have never regretted. In 1988, we were thrilled to purchase a small sailboat as well as a slip at LaSalle Park Marina and joined the Burlington Sailing and Boating Club. For 34 years, we have enjoyed spending our summers with family and friends sailing from the marina.

Although we lost the 2020 sailing season due to COVID 19 and construction delay in installing the new breakwater, the city's investment in the breakwater has made the marina much safer. Our boat is currently stored on the pier at LaSalle and cannot be launched unless the marina is opened. We were looking forward to keeping our boat in Burlington and sailing from the marina for many more years.

Being members of both the LPMA and BSBC increased our love of and ties to Burlington. It would be disappointing to lose this community resource that so many residents and volunteers have spent decades in developing.

We would appreciate City Council taking swift action to ensure that the LaSalle Park <u>Community</u> Marina can open in a timely manner this summer.

Barbara & Alan Macro