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Hello Clerk's Office

I believe that this week Burlington City Council will be considering the fate of the LaSalle Marina. I have been advised by Hannelie van Niekerk that my email to the Mayor should be directed to the Clerk's Office.

I am the spouse of a boat owner and we have had our boat only at LaSalle for the past 5 years as part of the BS&BC. We have also resided in Burlington for over 20 years. It is my understanding that the insurance company provided very late notice about their decision to not insure the marina and now the final option is for the City of Burlington to assume the management of the marina. The marina is a turnkey operation. There is a manager in place and there are many, many volunteers ready to help out, particularly from the BS&BC side. The City Council knows there is a public launch and many boaters use that launch daily - all of those users provide revenue for the City. In addition, city council members are well aware that the docks and brake water were all funded by the City for a rather large amount of money and have only been in place for 1 year, it seems a terrible shame that such an investment would not be rectified by the City taking over the Marina.

In addition the Marina also hosts the Able Sail Program, which is a unique and wonderful program that supports Diversity, Equity and Inclusion - persons with disabilities have the option to enjoy being sailed or are supported while sailing in the Bay. It's a gem of a program that should not be lost because of this rather unfortunate situation.

We greatly appreciate all the City has done for LaSalle Marina, and we hope that you will continue to support and assist with operating the Marina for 2022. Sincerely

Christine Greco