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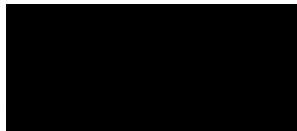
**Re: Protecting Canadian Values: Ban the Nazi Swastika in Canada**

Please note that at their regular meeting on March 4, 2025 the Council of the Municipality of Huron East considered the resolution from the Regional Municipality of Durham and passed the following motion:

**That the Municipality of Huron East supports the motion from the Regional Municipality of Durham regarding the protection of Canadian values and banning of the Nazi Swastika in Canada.**

Should you have any comments, please contact the undersigned.

Kind Regards,



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Encl: Resolution sent from the Regional Municipality of Durham

cc: Regional Municipality of Durham



February 28, 2025

The Honourable Arif Virani  
Minister of Justice  
House of Commons  
Ottawa, ON K1A 0A6

Dear Minister Virani:

**RE: Motion regarding Protecting Canadian Values: Ban the  
Nazi Swastika in Canada, Our File: C00**

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**The Regional  
Municipality of  
Durham**

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Council of the Region of Durham, at its meeting held on February 26, 2025, adopted the following recommendations of the Committee of the Whole, as amended:

“Whereas in recent years, Nazi iconography has surfaced with alarming frequency in the public sphere, used by an increasing number of groups and individuals to promote hate and instill fear within Canadian society; and

Whereas since the atrocities of WWII, the Nazi swastika, also known as the hakenkreuze, has become universally synonymous with systematic violence, terror and hate. Its growing presence in our country poses a threat to every single Canadian citizen, undermining the core values of equality, diversity, and inclusion that define our nation, and

Whereas eighteen countries have already taken action to ban these symbols, it is imperative that Canada follow suit;

Therefore be it resolved, that Durham Region Council supports B’Nai Brith’s call to the Government of Canada to pass legislation banning, with exceptions for certain educational and artistic purposes, the public display of Nazi symbols and iconography, including the Nazi swastika (hakenkreuze). Specifically, demanding that the Government of Canada immediately:

1. Ban the Nazi swastika (hakenkreuze)

2. Ban all Nazi symbols and iconography

Durham Region Council agrees that the people of Canada are counting on the federal government to ensure a future free from hate, where every Canadian is protected, valued, and respected; and

That a copy of this motion is sent to all Canadian Municipalities.”

*Alexander Harras*

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c: B'nai Brith Canada  
All Canadian Municipalities