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The Regional Municipality of Durham

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Re: Banning the Nazi Swastika in Canada

At their meeting on March 26, 2025, the Council for The Township of St. Joseph passed resolution #2025-66 in support of the Regional Municipality of Durham's concerns relating to the use of the Nazi Swastika in Canada.

The Township of St. Joseph shares the concern that in recent years, Nazi iconography has resurfaced 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. Since the atrocities of WWII, the Nazi swastika, also known as the hakenkreuz, 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.


The Township of St. Joseph supports Durham Region Council'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 (hakenkreuz).

We appreciate your attention to this issue,

Respectfully,

Amanda Richardson
CAO/Clerk-Treasurer

cc The Honourable Arif Virani Minister of Justice, B'nai Brith Canada

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