

The Corporation of the **County of Northumberland**

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Northumberland County Council Resolution

SENT VIA EMAIL

April 25, 2025

Prime Minister of Canada Member of Parliament for Northumberland-Clarke B'nai Brith Canada Northumberland County's 7 Member Municipalities

Re: Correspondence, The Regional Municipality of Durham 'Protecting Canadian Values - Ban the Nazi Swastika in Canada'

At a meeting held on April 16, 2025 Northumberland County Council approved Council Resolution # 2025-04-16-305, adopting the below recommendation from the April 1, 2025 Corporate Support Committee meeting:

Moved by: Councillor Mandy Martin

Seconded by: Councill Alternate Todd Attridge

"That the Corporate Support Committee, having considered the correspondence from The Regional Municipality of Durham regarding 'Protecting Canadian Values - Ban the Nazi Swastika in Canada', recommend that County Council support this correspondence and direct staff to send a copy of this resolution to key stakeholders."

Council Resolution # 2025-04-16-305

Carried

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned at matherm@northumberland.ca or by telephone at 905-372-3329 ext. 2238.

Sincerely, Maddison Mather

Manager of Legislative Services / Clerk

Northumberland County



Council Resolution

Moved By Seconded By _	M. T.	Markinge.	Agenda Item 11	Resolution Number 2025-04-16- <u>305</u>
			Council Date: April 16, 2025	

"That Council adopt all recommendations from the five Standing Committees, as contained within the Committee Minutes (meetings held March 31, April 1 and 2, 2025), with the exception of the following items (referenced from the Standing Committee Minutes), that will be held for discussion:

 Social Services Committee, Item 8.b, Report 2025-066 '310 Division Street, Cobourg Data Update - April 2025' – Held by Councillor Martin

And Further That the items listed above and held for separate discussion each require a separate resolution."

Recorded Vote Requested by		Carried	7
-	Councillor's Name		Warden's Signature
Deferred _		Defeated	
	Warden's Signature	_	Warden's Signature



Corporate Support Committee Resolution

Committee Meeting Date:	April 1, 2025		
Agenda Item:	7.a		
Resolution Number:	2025-04-01- 267		
Moved by:	B. Ostrander		
Seconded by:	R. Crate		
Council Meeting Date:	April 16, 2025		

Carried Committee Chair's Signature

Defeated _____ Committee Chair's Signature

Deferred Committee Chair's Signature

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The Regional Municipality of Durham

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Alexander Harras M.P.A. Director of Legislative Services & Regional Clerk 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

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)

If you require this information in an accessible format, please call 1-800-372-1102 extension 2097.

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

Alexander Harras, M.P.A. Director of Legislative Services & Regional Clerk AH/tf

c: B'nai Brith Canada All Canadian Municipalities