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Dear Hamilton City Councillors,

Throughout the COVID-19 pandemic, Hamilton City Council has taken decisive and progressive action to protect the citizens of Hamilton. Thank you.

But I urge you to make it a priority to vaccinate vulnerable frontline workers who are not exempt from the provincial stay-at-home order. This includes public library staff, teachers, grocery store workers and fast food attendants.

Hamilton City Council has done excellent work in redeploying staff to much-needed sectors, mass testing of workers and residents in long-term care, and enacting safety measures that exceed the safety standards. However, we all know that the most effective solution to COVID-19 recovery is mass vaccination and herd immunity.

By allowing frontline public service workers priority access, Hamilton will be a leader in respecting the labour force who keep our City functioning. Hamilton has already shown this trend in approving a living wage for their staff. Being seconded to vaccine clinics myself, I know supply is limited but I urge you to consider my request.

Allowing frontline staff priority access to vaccinations means our workers will be able to focus and deliver the excellent level of customer service Hamilton has come to expect from us.

With thanks,
Mandy Bullard,
President CUPE 932
Representing Hamilton Public Library Workers