PETITION CALLING ON THE GOVERNMENT OF CANADA TO SUPPORT THE PURCHASE OF WATERFRONT PROPERTIES IN WINDSOR, ONTARIO, FOR LONG-TERM ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION

We, the undersigned, residents of Canada, draw the attention of the House of Commons to the following:

Whereas, water levels in Lake St. Clair remain historically high in Lake St. Clair and the Great Lakes water basin,

Whereas, Windsor is part of Essex County which is a peninsula surrounded by Lake St. Clair, the Detroit River and Lake Erie, rising water levels have put many shoreline residencies and businesses at risk and over the last decade there have been numerous flooding events that have significantly impacted residents throughout the city;

Whereas, the four waterfront properties located at Lauzon Road and Riverside Drive on the Detroit River are vacant and have no structures on them, these combined properties would be potential natural infrastructure that can be used to build resilience to extreme weather events and to address the record high water levels in Lake St. Clair and the Detroit River which is causing intermittent shoreline flooding in East Windsor and puts many neighbourhoods at risk for overland flooding;

Whereas, we have to protect these properties from being developed, left as greenspace and as an asset and public space for the entire community;

Therefore, we, the undersigned, call on the federal government to purchase, or support City of Windsor's purchase, to protect the properties at Lauzon Road and Riverside Drive to prevent shoreline erosion, reduce flooding risk, address climate change and protect this greenspace for current and future generations of Canadians.

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