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Dear Carolyn and Friends of the Environment,

On behalf of the Durand Neighbourhood Association (DNA) and all of the residents of the Durand neighbourhood, we would like to thank you for this very generous donation of \$25,000.

It was indeed a surprise when I opened our local newspaper today. Needless to say I was delighted.

The DNA has worked tirelessly since 2008 to encourage our city to revitalize the Durand Park. We are almost 12,000 residents; we are one of the densest neighbourhoods in the city of Hamilton with only 1 park that is .7 hectares.

To raise funds for our park the DNA has hosted 3 garden tours since 2009 with the next one scheduled for 2016. All of our funds from the tours have been dedicated to events and activities and improvements to our park. With the

city approving and beginning work on our major revitalization is a long awaited and welcome project for Duranders.

The DNA cannot agree more with the following statement from your executive director:

**“We know that green spaces are vital to our wellbeing and our communities,” said Mary Desjardins, executive director, TD FEF. “**

We look forward in working with the city of Hamilton to further revitalize and promote this small but welcoming and well used gem in the downtown Durand neighbourhood.

Yours truly,

Janice Brown

President Durand Neighbourhood Association.