

Petition to the Ontario Legislative Assembly

Update Ontario Fluoridation Legislation

WHEREAS scientific studies conducted during the past 70 years have consistently shown that community water fluoridation is a safe and effective means of preventing dental decay, and is a public health measure endorsed by more than 90 national and international health organizations, including the Ontario Chief Medical Officer of Health, and the Ontario Dental Association, **and**

WHEREAS recent experience in Canadian cities that have removed fluoride from drinking water has led directly to a dramatic increase in tooth decay, **and**

WHEREAS the Ontario Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care urges support for amending the *Fluoridation Act* to ensure community water fluoridation is mandatory, **and**

WHEREAS the Ontario Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing urges support for the removal of provisions allowing Ontario municipalities to cease drinking water fluoridation, or fail to start drinking water fluoridation, from the *Ontario Municipal Act*,

WE the undersigned, petition the Legislative Assembly of Ontario as follows:

THAT the **Premier of Ontario** direct the Ministries of Municipal Affairs and Housing, and Health and Long-Term Care to amend all applicable legislation and regulations to make the fluoridation of municipal drinking water mandatory in *all* municipal water systems across the Province of Ontario before the end of the first session of the current Ontario Parliament.

Name (Printed)	Home Address and E-Mail Address	Signature

Please mail or deliver (*do not fax*) the **original** signed petition (*no copies*) to your Member of Provincial Parliament, or

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