

Committee To Free Flamborough

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The will of the people shall be the
basis of the authority of government
UNITED NATIONS UNIVERSAL
DECLARATION OF HUMAN RIGHTS

“When you know that an injustice was done
and you find yourself in a position to fix it
and you choose not to – you inherit
responsibility for that injustice”

AN OPEN LETTER FROM THE COMMITTEE TO FREE FLAMBOROUGH

The Committee to Free Flamborough is writing in response to recent attempts to discredit our Committee via criticisms and public name-calling.

CFF is a non-political organization of like-minded people who share one common goal; to free Flamborough from its undemocratic, forced amalgamation into the city of Hamilton. We are a grass roots organization of dedicated people trying to find honest answers to simple questions. We are but one of many committees from across this province trying to undo the forced amalgamations.

Prior to being elected the Liberals supported all of us in this endeavor. The fact that the CFF accidentally learned of the official response of Mr. Gerretsen regarding the Flamborough petition while browsing on a government website has obviously created a credibility problem for Mr. Ted McMeekin who, as of Thursday May 6, 2004 claimed to have “no new information.”

Since we announced the response to the petition in a letter to the media during the week of May 9, 2004, Mr. McMeekin has refused to meet with us as a committee. The Committee to Free Flamborough has not authorized any one individual to meet with Mr. McMeekin on our behalf.

We are not upset by the recent attempts to discredit us because we believe in the truism that when fighting against a bureaucracy that knows it has done wrong but won't admit it “first they ignore you, then they laugh at you, then they try to discredit you and then you know you are winning the fight.”

Some final words of hope for the 12,000 citizens who signed our petition come from anthropologist Margaret Mead who said “Never underestimate the ability of a small group of hard working dedicated people to change the world. Indeed it is the only thing that ever has.”

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