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**AN APPEAL TO CONSCIENCE, BRANTFORD TAX PROJECT 2018**

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To: diane.sowers@granderie.ca

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To the Occupant of the Committee of the Whole Chair for Grand Erie District School Board and Trust; Diane Sowers, in all your capacities.

I've had the opportunity to meet with many of the past municipal representatives, some at my home, and some I have met on social media and through some meaningful conversations, it has come to my attention that the common Canadian is generally confused about the nationality and citizenship of the Mohawk Peoples.

Does the Trustee represent the Kanienkehaka (Mohawk) Peoples, are Kanienkehaka considered stakeholders in the development of the curriculums and the established trust? I asked Alex Felsky this and she said a First Nations student trustee was appointed to represent First Nations, but she said to talk to six nations how she represents six nations somehow, and recently I learned Alex Felsky was the Trustee to spearhead the seat. If yes, then why are we not at the table, where is the delegation of authority from the Kanienkehaka to establish the limits of the representation, and if no, then it allows us to develop our own understandings of our needs and assurances.

This letter is an appeal to your conscience so that you may look not just to the public opinion to understand who the Mohawk are. If you listen to the Canadian public opinion, you may hear that Brantford is a 100% Canadian environment (<https://tworowtimes.com/news/local/haudenosaunee-land-sold-without-consultation>), (<https://tworowtimes.com/letters/new-private-school-raises-some-questions/>)

Canadians that I have spoken with believe that Mohawk citizens are somehow entitled to participate within the municipal elections, yet, evidently, as a non-Canadian citizen, the Mohawk people do not qualify to vote or become elected in municipal elections. (Municipal Elections Act 1996 12(3), 17(2)(b))

Under the veil of the secret vote the common Canadian and even the municipal councils presume that 100% of the people both Canadian and Mohawk have participated, assuming undelegated authority and jurisdiction over the Mohawk People. The illusion and paradox created from the secret vote cannot mask the truth of my citizenship to the Mohawk nation, and it must not be confused as a granting or waiver of my Mohawk Civil liberties to the municipal corporations.

I started the Brantford Tax Project (<https://www.brantfordtax.com>) to assert my rights to freedom from tyranny, to date the Corporation of the City/Town of Brantford has arbitrarily made claims that Mohawk are the same as all other Canadians, and that I will be levied and taxed the same as any other nationality.

In a reply to an Open Letter sent to the council; Council-person Greg Martin represented the following claims, and in addition my response to Greg Martin (<https://tworowtimes.com/opinion/open-letter-corporation-city-brantford-council>):

**July 30 2017, City of Brantford (Councilor Greg Martin):**

"Mr. Doolittle, the City of Brantford levies property taxes on property owners regardless of nationality, if you purchase property in Brantford you will be taxed as a property owner the same as any Canadian, American, German, Mohawk, or any other nationality. I hope this helps you better understand our tax system."

**July 30 2017, Benjamin Doolittle:**

"Thank you for your reply which in total is empty and meaningless (vox et praeterea nihil), however the onus is on you to prove your claim. Mr. Martin and others, please provide evidence as proof that the taxation or levies are lawfully applied (and How) to the Mohawk as you claim "regardless of nationality" which is a very arbitrary statement and lends to my points. Your hopes that I understand the tax system further is confusing because you either ignored or forgot to include any evidence how the property tax is lawfully applied to "Canadian, American, German, Mohawk, or any other nationality."

The Brantford Tax Project Mission reads in part, "...the Corporation of the City of Brantford (herein "Brantford") to provide evidence how the Property Tax and Levies are Lawfully Applied to the Mohawk Nation or Mohawk Individuals (For example Letters Patent, Royal Sign Manual, Warrants, Treaty etc.:). Upon a failure of Brantford to produce evidence of their claimed authority that Brantford abandon all claims against the Mohawk People, and that all unilaterally foisted obligations are void from the beginning, the mission includes the restoration of all Mohawk Estates, and the complete reversion (Status Quo Ante Bellum) of any and all non representational taxation including any and all unjust enrichments...."

It is my understanding that The Corporation of the City/Town of Brantford has claimed that Mohawk Peoples have a (municipal) civil obligation to pay property taxes to the Corporation regardless of my own Mohawk Civil Liberties, I have no records or evidence that The Corporation of the City/Town of Brantford lawfully applies its corporate policies and bylaws onto the Mohawk Peoples, and I believe no such records or evidence exists.

***If Brantford fails in providing proof of its claim; that the Municipalities Policy does apply to the Mohawk then by extension of our project we will forge on into the next City/Corporation and demand the same.***

Since 2008 I have sent letters to the council asking for the answers to these two questions, they are designed to be exact and in a socratic fashion they should with all reason show that the municipality can not represent the Mohawk or the Mohawk Individuals, regardless of their proximity to other canadian communities.

**Does the Office of Mayor and /or Council of the Corporation of the City of Brantford represent Kanienkehaka (Mohawk)?** We Answered: " No, Kanienkehaka have a pre-colonial representational framework that is integral to the maintenance of their culture."

**Do Kanienkehaka (Mohawk) qualify to vote or become elected in the municipal elections?** We Answered: "No, according to the Municipal elections act, you must be a Canadian citizen, Kanienkehaka are NOT Canadian citizens.

The appeal to conscience is not an appeal for the Mohawk to be somehow better represented by the Canadian, it is an appeal for self admittance of the Civil Liberties of the Mohawk Peoples.

**Kindly acknowledge and confirm receipt of this email.**

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### BRANTFORD TAX PROJECT 2018

*"Tax revenues are the lifeblood of the municipality, which must NOT come from the veins of the Mohawk!"* says Benjamin Doolittle.

The Brantford Tax Project documented by Benjamin Doolittle, a fraternal member of the Sha'tekari:wate; one of nine sub-clans of the Kanien'kehá:ka (Mohawk) Confederacy.

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