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Sent: Friday, March 8, 2024 8:16 AM
To: Mayor@Oshawa.ca
Subject: Parking on Boulevard

Good Morning Sir,

I am a resident of Oshawa, <M.F.I.P.P.A>.. I want to bring your attention to a matter that is of growing concern to the residents, and I say that as I have discussed this with a number of my neighbors.

The city of Oshawa bylaw 79-99 specifically section 4.28, is archaic, and has no place in our modern society. Gone are the days when people were able to buy properties for 200k or 300k. A price for a small family house, as you are aware, is over 800k, meanwhile the average income in Ontario is still 60k.

People can't afford rents, forget buying houses. In this economy, the only way for people to survive, in the face of higher taxes, inflation, is to live together and pool up resources.

The population of Oshawa has significantly increased, and there are more people living in houses because that's the only way they can afford paying rent and living a half decent life.

This also means more cars as most of us are hard working people and not just sitting at home cashing government support cheques. In the face of all this, we get these ridiculous tickets because of irrelevant bylaws.

I have 3 cars in our house because I am being supported by my parents, and I myself support my brother. My family is an immigrant and we don't have the money to buy multiple houses in this economy. Same is the situation with my neighbor who lives, like me, in the basement of his in-laws.

I work 12 hour shifts, day/night, pay my taxes and for a small part of the day, we have all 3 cars at home so everyone can get some rest only to wake up next morning and find these tickets on our cars.

We don't block the sidewalk, we don't block the bike lane on boulevard, we are not hurting anyone. We shovel the snow, maintain the boulevard, cut our grass, are friendly with everyone, so why are we being punished like this?

As a tax paying citizen, I hereby, request you to please repeal this bylaw and make life easier for your residents.