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To: Council Agenda <councilagenda@london.ca>
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Graphic Anti-abortion Streets Bylaw Motion

Good morning,

I am a resident of London, Ontario and I am writing this message in regards to the graphic anti abortion images being displayed on our city streets. These images are distressing and unacceptable. They are not educational nor helpful and only being displayed to shock and upset those who view them, especially children. No matter what side of the abortion debate you are on, these upsetting images are aimed at women. I wish abortion didn't exist but it always will and there are many other harsh realities in life. Abortion is legal healthcare for women in Canada and no woman should feel targeted or shamed for what her personal choices may be. There are women who have suffered pregnancy loss and these images of bloody fetuses in pieces are nothing less than triggering and traumatizing. Many of those who lug around these huge graphic signs are MEN who don't even have a Uterus and will never have to face the decisions and choices some women are forced to make.

I strongly support a bylaw that prevents these graphic images being displayed on City streets and corners. A bylaw would prevent children and women from being forced to view this upsetting propaganda. We live in a day and age where Viewer Discretion and Consent MATTER. I give consent for my letter and any letter to be placed on the agenda. Change must happen.

Thank you.

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