

Bill C-10

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Dear Minister Guilbeault:
Please see the attached letter from the Town of Shaunavon.
Sincerely,
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June 1, 2021

The Honourable Steven Guilbeault, PC, MP
Minister of Canadian Heritage
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Dear Minister Guilbeault:

Re: **Bill C-10**

We, as the Town of Shaunavon, urge that Bill C-10 be stopped from proceeding or have amendments made to ensure that Bill C-10 will not affect any Canadian generated content. Bill C-10 is an act to amend the *Broadcasting Act* (the "Act") and to make consequential amendments to other Acts.

The *Charter of Rights and Freedoms* guarantees the rights and freedoms set out in it. This applies to all governments: including federal, provincial, territorial and municipal. Bill C-10 wants to regulate and supervise the content that is broadcasted nationwide to Canadian Citizens. This has generated many concerns and issues among Canadians, that the government will not promote or support the free exchange of ideas and information. This is essential for a free and democratic society.

Giving the government the ability to regulate and/or supervise stimulating content through Bill C-10 is a poor policy. It does not matter if it is on traditional social media platforms. There are already many limits, within the *Charter of Rights and Freedoms*, that regulate what can and cannot be shared through the *Criminal Code* and *Common Law*. The recommended changes to the Act are keeping with the already placed limitations.

The Town of Shaunavon strives to ensure that the rights of our citizens are guaranteed by the *Charter of Rights and Freedoms* and make all efforts to ensure that Bill C-10 does not interfere with that.

Sincerely,

Kyle Bennett
Mayor

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