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**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Cycling Advisory Committee Resignation

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Hello Tammi, Pauline, and Rani.

Please accept this email as my resignation from Brampton Cycling Advisory Committee.

With your indulgence, the rest of this email will describe the reason and difficulty in making this decision, and how appreciative I am to have been a member of the BCAC.

To say that 2020-2021 were difficult years for me is a gross understatement. The death of my son Toby to cancer has forced me into a position where I have been re-evaluating everything in my life. One of those things is a greater emphasis on spending time with my family. To that end, as my family figures a way forward from here, we plan on moving from Brampton in December. But the reason why I'm tendering my resignation now is that I don't feel that I have the same energy or mental fortitude that I did when I applied for the committee. I'm not the same person that I was -- the person that was appointed to serve this committee and the City of Brampton.

I'm so tremendously appreciative for the opportunity to serve on the committee, to be one of the first co-chairs, and to help enable, and to be present to witness Brampton receiving its bronze Bicycle Friendly Community award. I'm equally appreciative for the way that cycling advocacy has unfolded in Brampton, built upon but also built up differently from achievements in Toronto and Mississauga, with a more positive emphasis on utility, inclusiveness, and consideration for people's different experiences.

Most of all, I'm appreciative of you -- the members of the BCAC and supporting staff -- for the insight you bring to the committee, and the support you've offered my family during this immeasurably challenging time.

Thank you. I wish you all the best.

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