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**HAMILTON TOWNSHIP  
TRUSTEE BOARD**

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Honorable Terry Blair, Chair  
Local Government Committee  
Ohio House of Representatives  
77 S. High St.  
Columbus, Ohio 43215

Dear Chairman Blair:

**Fiscal Officer**

(513) 239-2370

I am writing you in regard to the annexations that have taken place in our Township. The Current law for a Type II annexation gives no rights to our elected officials to protect the Township in any way. We definitely need changes in the law as it stands.

**Community Development**

Phone (513) 683-8520

We have had annexations that have taken land from Ohio Department of Natural Resources being the Bike Trail as well as portions of the Little Miami River and an elementary school, because there was no way for the Township to dispute this annexation.

**Emergency Services**

69 West Foster-Maineville Rd.  
Hamilton Township, Ohio 45039  
Phone (513) 683-1622

The County Commissioners are approving all annexations of this type since they are of the understanding that so long as all the paper work is filed properly, they MUST approve the annexation. There is also another section of the code that says they are to allow for such as signature dates, maps and other misrepresented information can be cleared up before they make their decision.

**Human Resources**

Phone (513) 683-8520

**Maintenance**

Phone (513) 683-5320

We as the Park Board of Hamilton Township, Warren County, Ohio ask that you please help this situation by using the language that was presented in SB 297 by Senator Seitz to change the ability of political subdivisions being allowed to, at least sign off on any annexation so they will know that it is being annexed. The most recent annexation we encountered was with the elementary school being annexed and the school was never notified of it happening until it was done.

**Parks**

Phone (513) 683-5360

**Police Department**

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Governmental entities should be able to protect their parks, schools and other governmentally owned property the same as others.

We cannot change the rules but respectfully ask that you and legislation help us make this a more fair process with the help of the wording of Senator Seitz bill SB-297 and those in favor of helping from legislation.

Respectfully;

  
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