MY NAME IS CULLEN CREASE-MACLEAN

TONIGHT I WILL BE TALKING ABOUT THE CONSEQUENCES OF BUILDING CONDENSED POVERTY IN REGINA

THE CONSEQUENCES OF ZONING AND DEVELOPMENT THAT PROMOTES RACIAL AND ECONOMIC SEGREGATION

AND I WILL TALK ABOUT THE EFFECT THIS HAS ON CHILDREN IN THE CITY

THE FOLLOWING IS AN OUTLINE OF TOPICS I WILL DISCUSS

THE HARM DONE TO CHILDREN BY WAREHOUSING THEM INTO DISADVANTAGED NEIGHBOURHOODS IS WELL DOCUMENTED AND HAS LIFE LONG CONSEQUENCES

CRIME RATES DIFFER TREMENDOUSLY IN REGINA NEIGHBOURHOODS

IT'S NO COINCIDENCE THAT CHILDREN IN HIGH CRIME AREAS BECOME INVOLVED IN A RANGE OF PROBLEMATIC BEHAVIOURS.

IT IMPACTS THE WAY THEY THINK FEEL AND ACT

THEY SEE THE WORLD AS A SCARY PLACE WHERE THEY AREN'T SAFE AND CAN'T PROTECT THEMSELVES

THEY ARE MORE LIKELY TO BECOME INVOLVED IN GANG ACTIVITY, VIOLENT CRIME AND SUBSTANCE ABUSE

THEY HAVE FAR HIGHER RATES OF HELPLESSNESS, WITHDRAWAL, ANXIETY, DEPRESSION AND PTSD AND ARE 4 TIMES MORE LIKELY TO ATTEMPT OR COMMIT SUICIDE

MOVING KIDS FROM HIGH TO LOW POVERTY

NEIGHBOURHOODS CAUSES MAJOR IMPROVMENTS IN MENTAL AND PHYSICAL HEALTH.

IN TERMS OF RACIAL SEGREGATION 37% OF THE PEOPLE IN THE GOLF COURSE AREA ARE ABORIGINAL AND THEY ARE ALSO BEING WAREHOUSED INTO DANGEROUS NEIGHBOURHOODS

WHILE CARING PEOPLE WORLD WIDE ARE SUPPORTING OPEN BORDERS BETWEEN COUNTRIES, IN ORDER TO PROTECT DISADVANTAGED PEOPLE THE PEOPLE IN REGINA CITY HALL CAN'T EVEN BRING THEMSELVES TO OPEN WEALTHY NEIGHBOURHOODS TO DISADVANTAGED AND AT RISK PEOPLE IN MEANINGFUL NUMBERS.

FOR ALL OF THESE REASONS AND MORE WE OPPOSE PLACING ANY BUILDINGS ON THE GOLF COURSE LAND

I REJECT ALL FOUR CITY CONCEPTS FOR THE GOLF COURSE AND I AGREE WITH CONCEPT 5 PROPOSED BY NELSON BRYKSA

ALSO I AGREE WITH THE 1069 OUT OF 173 INDIVIDUALS FROM CORONATION PARK AND NORTH CENTRAL WHO SIGNED THE PETITION TO THE CITY TO NOT HAVE ANY BUILDINGS ON THE GOLF COURSE LAND

I AGREE WITH THE 350 RESIDENTS OF NORTH CENTRAL AND CORONATION WHO PERSONALLY FILLED IN A SURVEY WITH THEIR IDEAS OF WHAT THEY WANT ON THE GOLF COURSE LAND AND MOST RECENTLY THE MORE THAN 500 RESIDENTS OF CORONATION AND NORTH CENTRAL WHO SIGNED AN OPEN LETTER TO THE CITY REJECTING ALL OF THEIR FOUR GOLF COURSE OPTIONS

IN SHORT STOP PROMOTING RACIAL AND ECONOMIC SEGREGATION AND STOP HURTING PEOPLE BY BUILDING ANYTHING THAT CONTRIBUTES TO POVERTY INCLUDING SENIORS COMPLEXES IN HIGH CRIME HIGH POVERTY NEIGHBOURHOODS

LET'S MAKE REGINA AN INCLUSIVE CITY WHERE ALL PEOPLE ARE WELCOME TO LIVE IN ALL NEIGHBOURHOODS IN EQUAL NUMBERS