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To the Councillors of the Town of Tecumseh:

This letter is being sent to you establish that there is scientific evidence demonstrating the potential for harmful health effects caused by water fluoridation. Since you have been tasked with the responsibility of taking part in a decision about whether to fluoridate the water in your community, we urgently request that you take this opportunity to fairly and conscientiously evaluate the risks associated with fluoride use. We are aware that some dentists and health professionals will tout benefits of ingested fluoride; however, it is crucial that you also examine the most up-to-date body of facts relevant to hazardous impacts of fluoridation.

The International Academy of Oral Medicine and Toxicology (IAOMT) has been dedicated to its mission of protecting public health through the practice of biocompatible dentistry since it was founded in 1984. We are an organization of over 800 dentists, physicians, and research professionals in more than 14 countries, and the scientific activities of the IAOMT are overseen by a Scientific Advisory Board composed of leaders in Biochemistry, Toxicology, and Environmental Medicine. Our members have been expert witnesses about dental products and practices before the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP), U.S. Congress, U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA), Health Canada, and other government bodies around the globe.

We recently reviewed hundreds of scientific studies and research articles and produced a detailed position paper against fluoridation that features over 500 citations supporting the potential for fluoride to cause adverse health outcomes. A summary of our official position is that **given the elevated number of fluoride sources and the increased rates of fluoride intake in the American population, which have risen substantially since water fluoridation began in the 1940's, it has become a necessity to reduce and work toward eliminating avoidable sources of fluoride exposure, including water fluoridation, fluoride-containing dental materials, and other fluoridated products.**

We implore you to read our full position paper, which can be found online at <https://iaomt.org/wp-content/uploads/IAOMT-Fluoride-Position-Paper.pdf>. Additional resources about fluoride from the IAOMT can also be located at <https://iaomt.org/resources/fluoride-facts/>. You might also be interested in the Fluoride Action Network (FAN)'s [Professionals Statement to End Water Fluoridation](#), which has been signed by over 4,000 medical, dental, scientific, and environmental professionals. Please feel free to contact us at info@iaomt.org or (863) 420-6373 if we can further assist you in understanding that fluoridation is an outdated, dangerous practice with the potential to harm your citizens and your community at large.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'David Kennedy DDS'.

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A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'John Kall DMD'.

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