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City turns out the lights for Earth Hour Saturday, March 25 HAMILTON, ON – The City of Hamilton will show its support for Earth Hour on Saturday, March 25, 2017 by turning off all nonessential lighting in corporate facilities, which includes City Hall and the Lister Block, between 8:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. Street lighting will remain operational for safety reasons.

Hamilton Water will also participate in the initiative by taking steps to minimize the use of electricity without compromising the delivery and quality of Hamilton's water supply. Security lighting will remain on, inside and outside of buildings, to ensure public safety.

This worldwide campaign promotes the recognition of global warming by turning off lights for one hour to take action against climate change. Hamiltonians are encouraged to take action to show their support for the cause.

Quick Facts:

- A record-breaking 178 countries and territories took part in Earth Hour 2016, with about 12,700 participating landmarks.
- Millions of people switched their lights off for an hour, and the Earth Hour 2016 campaign saw close to 2.5 million individual actions being taken to help fight climate change.
- For more information on Earth Hour, please visitwww.earthhour.org

Quote:

"We all share the responsibility of making environmentally friendly choices that ensure sustainable benefit for future generations. Earth Hour reminds us that our actions directly impact our world. The City of Hamilton strives to be an environmentally sustainable place to live, enhancing the quality of life in our community." - Mayor Fred Eisenberger

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