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An Act respecting Ronald McDonald House (Hamilton)

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Preamble

The board of directors of Kids Care Oncology Central West Ontario has applied for special legislation to exempt certain land from taxation for municipal and school purposes, other than local improvement rates, while the land is used for a specified purpose. The applicant represents that Kids Care Oncology Central West Ontario was incorporated under the *Corporations Act* on May 28, 1991 and is a registered charity within the meaning of the *Income Tax Act* (Canada). The applicant also represents that Kids Care Oncology Central West Ontario operates the Ronald McDonald House in Hamilton on land it owns to provide temporary lodging for families of seriously ill children receiving medical treatment from Hamilton area hospitals.

It is appropriate to grant the application.

Therefore, Her Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Assembly of the Province of Ontario, enacts as follows:

Definition

1. In this Act,

“specified property” means the land, as defined in the *Assessment Act*, municipally known as 1510 Main Street West, in the City of Hamilton.

Tax exemption by-law

2. The council of the City of Hamilton may pass by-laws exempting the specified property from taxes for municipal purposes, other than local improvement rates, if,

- (a) the specified property is occupied and used solely for the purposes of the Ronald McDonald House operated by Kids Care Oncology Central West Ontario or a corporation controlled by it; and
- (b) Kids Care Oncology Central West Ontario is a registered charity within the meaning of the *Income Tax Act* (Canada).

Property exempt from school taxes

3. If the council of the City of Hamilton passes a by-law under section 2, the specified property is also exempt from taxes for school purposes for so long as the by-law remains in effect.

Commencement

4. **This Act comes into force on the day it receives Royal Assent.**

Short title

5. **The short title of this Act is the *Ronald McDonald House (Hamilton) Act, 2006*.**

EXPLANATORY NOTE

The Bill authorizes the City of Hamilton to exempt specified property from taxes for municipal purposes, other than local improvement rates. If the city passes the tax exemption by-law, the Bill provides that the property is also exempt from taxes for school purposes for as long as the by-law is in effect.