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Dear Council Members,

Three years ago, while hanging out diapers on our backyard clothesline, I was watching butterflies flitting southward and jets from the CNE air show screaming skyward. It was a strange juxtaposition of the most modern and raucous of technologies with the simplest and most elegant.

We may live in a complex, fast-paced and modern world, but let us never forget the value of simplicity and living lightly on this earth.

Through our Lighten Up Ontario campaign, the Conservation Council of Ontario is asking Ontarians to make a commitment to reducing their electrical consumption through simple and elegant measures, such as compact fluorescent lights, energy-efficient appliances, natural cooling, and air-drying laundry.

From across Ontario we are hearing overwhelming public support for conservation as the first priority in handling Ontario's electricity crisis. People are investing their own time and money in conservation, and they expect their governments to support them.

I fully support Councillor Morris' motion asking the Province to use the Conservation Leadership Act to designate clotheslines as a "conservation technology". You have found an elegant solution to a nonsensical problem.

Bravo.

Sincerely,

Chris Winter
Executive Director