

## **We must stop incineration**

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To the editor:

Re: Incineration dream a nightmare, March 9, Colleen Knight column.

When I was reading Colleen Knight's article Sunday afternoon, I couldn't help but smile to myself as I realized that more and more residents of Courtice and the neighbours surrounding us are taking notice that Regional Chairman Roger Anderson, Regional Councillor Mary Novak, as well as other councillors and Mayor Jim Abernethy are bullying us into a decision that we know we don't want. They're sugar-coating their words so we believe that the incinerator is a "good thing."

As a parent of a child who already has had cancer, I cannot sit back and let this happen. As parents, we have a responsibility to protect our children from strangers, from running out into the street so they don't get hit by a car and anything else that is harmful to them. We need to stand up and yell loud enough for everyone who is pro incinerator to hear that we don't want to live with this toxic neighbour in our backyards.

Educate yourselves, check out the website [durhamenvironmentwatch.org](http://durhamenvironmentwatch.org) and read about it. Go to the protests -- I have. Write/e-mail your letters to Durham Region council, the Municipality of Clarington and the Ministry of the Environment. This has to be stopped, not only for the sake of our children but for their children as well.

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