

I am opposed to development at L'Anse à l'Orme. This 185 hectares of wetland meadows is a vital green space for the island of Montreal.

The proposal to build 5000 housing units, would not only destroy one of the last important green spaces on the island, but would also run counter to the city's objective of conserving 17 per cent of land and water for natural green space.<sup>1</sup> We have only 6 per cent of reserved green space now. This objective to increase the amount of natural protected green space should not be ignored if we are serious about having a healthy environment for our population.

L'Anse à l'orme is a habitat for many birds, and animals, some of which are threatened and need protection. It has recreational possibilities as a place to walk and enjoy nature.

I join with many individuals in voicing my concerns. Please listen to our voices in opposition to this proposal.

<sup>1</sup>Aichi Biodiversity Targets' Strategic Goal C: Improve the status of biodiversity by safeguarding ecosystems, species and genetic diversity

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