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Dear Mayor Masters,

I'm writing to urge you and the rest of city council to stand by the decision to ban fossil fuel companies from sponsorship opportunities with the City of Regina. While oil and gas is an important sector in the Saskatchewan economy, we know that we must quickly phase out fossil fuels if we are to address climate change. Fossil fuel companies knew for decades that their products cause climate change, and deliberately cast doubt on the science of global warming. Aside from climate change, their products pollute the air with toxic chemicals that cause many health problems. They are far from good corporate citizens!

Accepting sponsorship money from these companies contradicts the City's commitment to climate action, notably it's goal to achieve net zero emissions by 2050. Fossil fuel companies are part of the problem, not part of the solution. This would be like accepting money from tobacco companies while setting a goal to reduce smoking rates!

The City must defend its jurisdiction and stand up to the Premier's bullying tactics.

Sincerely,

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