



Hamilton Centre

John Livingstone

John Livingstone was born and raised in Hamilton. A career soldier, he left Steeltown for a 22 year in the Canadian Forces returning home for his final posting. During his military service he was posted throughout Canada, served six years in Lahr, Germany and has deployed on two tours of duty with the United Nations in the Golan Heights. John has been awarded the Canadian Decoration, Canadian Peacekeeping Service Medal, Special Service Medal and United Nations Disengagement Observer Force Medal (2).

After traveling the world and seeing the sights it was clear to John there was only one place to retire - Hamilton.

John has been employed by the Canadian Corps of Commissionaires (Hamilton), a not-for-profit corporation, as the Director of Operations for the past nine years.

John and his wife Rena have been married for twenty-seven years and have two children. They have made their family home in the Hamilton Centre riding for the past fourteen years and are now empty nesters.

John's affinity with the environment resulted from growing up amidst the ravines and fields south of Clappison Corners and was nurtured by his time in the military. On his return to Hamilton, having seen first hand the results of environmental neglect around the world, John was determined to make a difference. He has performed volunteer functions with the Bay Area Restoration Council (BARC), Green Venture and the Waterfront Trail. He is well known as panel member of the local television show "The Opinionators" where his military background and green sensibilities provide a fresh and thoughtful counterpoint to any issue.

The decision to stand as the Green Party candidate in the 2008 Federal Election was only natural after his success in 2006. His present candidacy allows him to build on the gains of the past. He brings boundless energy and enthusiasm and a natural inclination for social justice for all Canadians.

As a soldier and a proud Hamiltonian, John will give a strong Green voice to Hamilton Centre constituents. John will champion Hamilton Centre issues, particularly the environment, health care and the economy. He believes this is the time for Hamilton to return to being known as "The Ambitious City". What better place than here to begin to right the wrongs of environmental short sightedness and leave a healthier and better world for our children and their children.