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Kingston draws world-renowned scientists and experts to discuss 5G concerns

On Saturday, September 21, a rally and expert panel discussion are planned for Kingston citizens at City Hall.

Kingston – Wednesday, September 18, 2019 – Community members will gather for a rally at 11 am outside Kingston City Hall to “stop 5G” which will be followed by an expert panel discussion in the Memorial Room of City Hall from 12:30 – 2:00 pm.

The action comes as federal and municipal governments allow telecoms to roll out 5G – fifth generation mobile networks – in communities across Canada despite the complete absence of pre-market safety testing and despite the warnings of scientists and experts about risks to health and privacy.

Dr. Anthony Miller, a world-renowned epidemiologist, former advisor to the World Health Organization, and Professor emeritus of the Dalla Lana School of Public Health at the University of Toronto says that radiofrequency radiation – the stuff of 5G – meets all the criteria to be classified a Class 1 Carcinogen.

Mark Gildenhaar, spokesperson for the Kingstonians for Safe Technology (K4ST), a grassroots group of concerned citizens, says this has to be taken seriously.

“The evidence in recent years, including the \$25 -million US Government-funded National Toxicology Program study that found ‘clear evidence’ of cancer, has got to change the debate. How can governments ignore this?”

K4ST has organized an expert panel discussion and rally on the issue of 5G which will bring experts, such as Dr. Anthony Miller, together to identify concerns with implementing this technology. The panel will also include Dr. Martin Pall, distinguished researcher in the field of EMFs and health, Dr. Riina Bray, Director of the Environmental Health Clinic of the Women's College Hospital in Toronto and Dr. Thomas Cooke, Postdoctoral Researcher of digital privacy at the Surveillance Studies Centre, Queen's University.

“This is an incredible panel which will shed light on why we should be concerned,” said Andrea Loken of K4ST. “We would be wise to take a precautionary approach to the roll-out of this technology because the scientific evidence overwhelmingly indicates harmful biological effects.” She says we also should be concerned about the environmental impact of an energy gluttonous infrastructure when we are supposed to be in a ‘climate emergency’. “From a climate change perspective alone, we should not do 5G as it is planned. We have far superior ways to plan the infrastructure of the future, namely, wired fibre-

to-the-premises. It is faster, safer, more energy efficient, reliable, and cyber-secure. As citizens, we should have a say when our health, privacy and climate is at stake.”

For more information on the topic of 5G, please go to the website: <http://K4ST.ca>

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