

## University of Guelph- Endorsement for the Reduction in Bottled Water Use

### Given that:

- bottled water is a waste of the scarce natural resources needed to manufacture them.
- bottled water harms the environment through the improper disposal of unnecessary waste.
- bottled water is less stringently regulated than municipal tap water, despite misleading advertising by the bottled water industry.
- bottled water is packaged in plastic bottles which are suspected of leaching toxic chemicals.
- bottled water is sold at a much higher price than city water - up to ten thousand times more expensive
- to ensure water remains a fundamental human right, it requires standing up for public water systems at a local level.
- the University of Guelph has been a forerunner in bringing environmental awareness to students and now has an opportunity to continue this tradition by pioneering the struggle against bottled water.

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*(Insert organization, department, affiliation, individual name)*

endorse the campaign which promotes alternative water sources to bottled water. This will mean a reduction in bottled water purchased, distributed or sold in vending machines, retail spaces, at meetings, events and/or conferences and in replacement, if deemed appropriate, water jugs with tap water will be made available. We will aim toward becoming bottled water free.

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