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Dear Bills Committee,  
I am writing to support the quick passing of the Municipal Solid Waste scheme.

We need an updated waste management policy that will provide financial incentives to drive behavioural changes in different sectors of the community to rethink and reduce trash.

Everyone in the community needs to work together - households, commercial and industrial sectors to practice waste reduction at source and clean recycling. It is encouraging to see that the Government is taking the lead and propose this bill.

After Typhoon Mangkut hit Hong Kong, we can see that hundreds of thousands of plastic bottles and styrofoam were thrown back into our city. This proves our garbage is seeping into our oceans and they never goes away. Research that came out a few months ago stated that 60% of the local fish have microplastic in their stomach.

If we do not start to reduce waste right now, our future generations will suffer and they will not have clean air, clean food and a nice environment for them to live in.

The MSW scheme is a great start to educate and drive people to go for a habit change. I am glad to see the Government have a list of policies to support the implantation of the scheme, such as increasing the number of recycle bins, and having a 240 people outreach team to go to the communities to educate the citizens on how to reduce and recycle.

I sincerely hope this bill can be passed quickly.

Yours Sincerely,

Tansy Tom