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Mayor Fred Eisenberger Hamilton City Hall 2nd floor - 71 Main St. West Hamilton, Ontario L8P 4Y5

Dear Mayor Eisenberger,

On behalf of Hamilton East Kiwanis Non-Profit Homes Inc., I am writing to commend your motion, in relation to an "Initiative to Increase Affordable Housing and Reduce Poverty by Investing in People", introduced at the General Issues Committee on April 20, 2016 and seconded by Councillor Collins.

As the third largest social housing provider in the City of Hamilton, Kiwanis Homes has a long history of providing service to vulnerable sectors of our community through the provision of modest and affordable housing. We are a registered charitable organization which works closely with members of the City Housing Department and other service providers in our community. We take pride in providing quality services to our residents and continuously seek to improve our response to the evolving needs of our community.

We believe that your motion introduces a framework by which the City of Hamilton can continue to cement its role as a leader in the area of poverty reduction to other municipalities across Canada. We believe that it not only represents a sound social policy direction but also a fiscally responsible policy direction. We applied your leadership and foresight in the creation of this vision.

Sincerely,

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