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Mayor Fred Eisenberger City of Hamilton 71 Main Street West Hamilton, ON L8N 2A7

Dear Mayor Eisenberger:

Re: Increasing Affordable Housing and Reducing Poverty

I was pleased to learn of the wonderful initiative that you have launched, forth a motion committed to the significant investment in people. As you know, LiUNA represents thousands of members in Greater Hamilton, and we take pride in our leadership position in the area, in fact we have made community building our mandate for decades.

LiUNA is especially thrilled with the section pertaining to the City pledging to invest in non-profit housing. While there is a significant dollar value associated with this mandate, we none-the-less are most supportive of it. The dividends yielded from investing in people far surpass the financial cost of the investment.

People are our most valuable resource and doing what we can to improve their quality of life lends itself to a precious commodity. Ultimately Hamilton will be investing in its future by leading the 25% of children residing in poverty to a better life.

We encourage the City's pursuit of this initiative and look forward to its successful realization.

Sincerely,

MANUEL BASTOS Business Manager

