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Janet Pilon Acting City Clerk Hamilton City Hall 71 Main Street West, 1<sup>st</sup> Floor Hamilton, ON L8P 4Y5

## RE: Request for 50% Exemption of the Development Charges for St. Joseph's Villa (170 Ogilvie St. , Dundas) Hospice Project -- SPA-17-205; Building Permit Application # 18-137811-00R3

Dear Ms. Pilon,

St. Joseph's Villa, in planning for the upcoming 10-bed hospice, ensured that the design and program focused on how to sustain the highest quality of life for our patients, their families and those that support them. The planning process cleared every level of review from the City and all conditions have been satisfied and approved. All that remains outstanding, prior to issuing a building permit, is payment of the Development Charges in the amount per below:

City Development Charges	\$237,350.20	
Go Transit	\$820.00	
Public School	\$13,901.27	
Separate School	\$11,911.11	
Total	\$263,982.58	50% = \$131,991.29

Our application for building permit for this project was submitted on September 28, 2018 which included payment of the \$67,642 application fee. All correspondence regarding the Development Charges for the Hospice occurred with City staff well before the new By-laws 19 -142 and 11-174 came into effect on June 13, 2019. In addition, conversations with the Mayor and our Councillor on this matter began almost 18 months ago.

We were fully expecting to receive a 50% exemption, per By-law 14-153 in effect at the time and this was worked into the costing for this project. Given the date that the application was filed, the Development charges at the 50% exemption rate should be applied to this project per the previous By-law.

Over 90% of the funding for this project is coming from the donations of generous Hamiltonians and the need for the exemption by the City for this very important and special project for the citizens of Hamilton is very much needed.

St. Joseph's Villa is responding to a shortage of hospice and palliative respite beds within the region and we are asking for your help in making this a success. Please let us know if you require any additional information.

Respectfully,

Melissa Farrell President, St. Joseph's Healthcare Hamilton

Carolyn Gosse President, St. Joseph's Villa

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