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Dear Ms. MacKenzie:

Re: UBCM Housing Affordability Resolution from the City of Victoria

Please find attached a Housing Affordability resolution passed by Victoria City Council at their meeting of June 23, 2016, for consideration at the 2016 UBCM convention. Victoria City Council also directed the resolution be forwarded to the City of Vancouver for consideration.

Your timely response in consideration of this resolution is appreciated in order to ensure the resolution is received by UBCM on the June 30, 2016 due date.

Should you have any questions with regards to this matter, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Best regards,



Chris Coates
City Clerk
City of Victoria

Enclosure: UBCM Resolution Regarding Housing Affordability

Housing Affordability

Victoria

WHEREAS since 2008, UBCM has passed 13 motions with regard to affordable housing across the housing spectrum from those who are homeless with severe mental health and addictions challenges, to the young worker, to families, to retired seniors;

AND WHEREAS in response to each motion the Province has outlined all of the efforts it has made and money it has spent addressing affordable housing in British Columbia;

AND WHEREAS despite the efforts and resources invested by the Province and local governments over the past eight years, the housing crisis across British Columbia has deepened in both rural and urban areas, with Greater Victoria and the lower mainland among the most unaffordable places to rent or buy in the country;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that UBCM work with the provincial government on a priority basis to develop new policy tools and/or funding streams that will have the most effective, efficient and immediate impact on the housing affordability crisis in British Columbia, across the housing spectrum.