

To: Members of York Regional Council

Date: March 16, 2021

Re: Thank You

On behalf of our organizations that serve vulnerable populations here in York Region, we are sending a collective THANK YOU to members of Regional Council, for the bold steps you have taken recently to encourage more affordable housing in the Region. Specifically, in:

- Declaring that York Region is in a Housing Affordability Crisis;
- Asking each of the 9 municipalities in the Region to dedicate 2 acres of land to affordable housing;
- Committing the \$1B Community Housing Mortgage payments that is coming to an end back into Housing for capital improvements and new builds.

While we know that these initiatives, in and of themselves, are not enough to resolve the housing affordability crisis, we applaud these efforts which we believe will stimulate even more opportunities to create a York Region for every one at every age and stage of life.

Thank you.

Sincerely,



c. Katherine Chislett, Commissioner-Community & Health Services