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Mayor Bonnie Crombie

Via electronic mail: mayor@mississauga.ca

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Dear Mayor Crombie,

I am writing to you following a detailed review of the City of Mississauga's application to the federal government's Housing Accelerator Fund.

I was pleased with several of the proposals included in the application, including ideas to unlock growth through strategic investments in transit and mixed-use development, optimising government land for affordable housing, and making systems improvements and case management of development applications.

However, before making a decision on Mississauga's application, I need to ensure that the City is doing everything in its power to address Canada's housing crisis. I have four requests that would improve Mississauga's application and better reflect my ambition for the Housing Accelerator Fund, they include:

- Permitting four units as-of-right city-wide;
- Permitting four storeys as-of-right within 800 metres walking distance of the LRT and BRT transit lines;
- Work to better utilize the community within walking distance of all the Go stations for housing and mixed-use developments, especially along the Lakeshore West line; and
- Work to increase rental housing developments for students within walking distance of your post-secondary institutions.

If you and Council can enhance your application by addressing these items, it will allow us to increase housing supply within walking distance to transit and facilitate more genuine housing options for the people of Mississauga. This will put me in a position to approve your application.

Canadians are looking for leadership to get the necessary homes built. I would like to credit my colleagues in Mississauga, the Hon. Minister Valdez, and Members of Parliament the Hon. Omar Alghabra, Peter Fonseca, Iqwinder Gaheer, Iqra Khalid, and Charles Sousa, who have all been tremendous advocates for your City. They have each raised the importance of Mississauga's housing needs and have expressed confidence that the City will rise to the occasion.

Thank you for considering my requests. I look forward to our future discussions.

Sincerely,

The Honourable Sean Fraser, P.C., M.P.
Minister of Housing, Infrastructure and Communities

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