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January 7, 2021

Nando Iannicca
Regional Chair, Regional Municipality of Peel
10 Peel Centre Drive, 5th Floor, Suite A
Brampton ON L6T 4B9

Dear Nando Iannicca:

As you know, on December 21, 2020, our government announced details about a Provincewide Shutdown effective 12:01 a.m. on December 26, 2020. This difficult decision was made to protect the health and well-being of all Ontarians.

Included in this announcement was the availability of an additional **\$42 million** in new provincial funding to select Service Managers to expedite the establishment of new isolation centres to help those from high-priority communities who can't isolate safely at home.

As communicated on December 22, 2020, the Region of Peel was selected to receive funding under the Ontario Isolation Centres Initiative. Prior to receiving your planning allocation under this initiative, you were asked to complete an Investment Plan for ministry approval, describing your proposed funding strategy and to return it to the ministry by December 29, 2020.

Thank you for returning your completed Investment Plan. As the ministry has now completed its review of your Investment Plan, we are pleased to announce that the Region of Peel has been approved for an allocation of up to **\$21,168,000** for the fiscal year 2020-21.

Based on this approval, a payment equivalent to one-third of your estimated costs as reported in your approved Investment Plan will be initiated immediately. Funding for the remaining costs will be provided based on a monthly schedule outlined in Supplement A. However, payment amounts may be adjusted based on reconciliation of actuals reported through monthly reporting. Filing your reports on time will ensure funds continue to flow.

REFERRAL TO _____
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To ensure the investment is delivered as quickly as possible, as outlined in the letter dated December 22, 2020 and similar to the province's Social Services Relief Fund (SSRF), your allocation under the Ontario Isolation Centres Initiative will flow through your Community Homelessness Prevention Initiative (CHPI) Service Manager Service Agreement effective January 1, 2013 with Her Majesty the Queen in right of Ontario as represented by the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing ("Service Agreement"). The CHPI Initiative Program Guidelines are hereby amended by adding to them the provisions set out in Supplement A to this letter which apply solely to the Ontario Isolation Centres Initiative.

This amendment forms part of your Service Agreement and any breach of any of the terms of the amendment shall constitute an Event of Default under the Service Agreement. All other provisions, including Section 17 – Audits and Reviews, of the Service Agreement remain in full force and effect.

Please note that this funding is in addition to your base 2020-21 CHPI allocation, which the ministry previously communicated to you on April 17, 2019, and any funding received under the SSRF. There will be no change to the program administration or payment process for payments under CHPI or the SSRF.

You are required to sign this letter confirming your agreement to the terms and conditions of the funding and return it to the ministry. You may submit your signed confirmation via e-mail to:

Jim Adams, Director of the Housing Programs Branch
Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing
jim.e.adams@ontario.ca

To support the immediate creation of new facilities and address the needs of residents in high-priority communities, I ask that the ministry receives your sign-back letter **as soon as possible**. Please note that all funding under the Ontario Isolation Centres Initiative must be incurred by March 31, 2021.

As proposed in your ministry-approved Investment Plan, you may use funding under this initiative for the following eligible costs:

- Costs incurred for net new rooms for isolation;
- Meals (e.g., dietary and religious accommodations, access to in-room fridge and microwave for personal food items);
- Security (e.g., safe evacuation, incident management/reporting, other security protocols/processes);
- Transportation and parking facilities;
- Cleaning protocols and services (e.g., cleaning of facilities, laundry for residents, disposal of garbage);
- Other amenities (e.g., telephone and internet access to stay in contact with family/loved ones, TV service); and

- COVID-19 case management/other social services, health supports and other site support services.

Service Managers will be required to report to the ministry weekly on, among other things, the number of facilities and rooms/beds used for isolation, capacity, and occupancy rates.

Funding that has been paid in excess of program need/actuals or not used for the above outlined purposes will be recovered by the ministry as per the Service Agreement.

As always, I would like to thank you for all your work during these challenging times. We sincerely appreciate the efforts of our municipal partners to assist all Ontarians during the COVID-19 outbreak and I look forward to working together to implement this important initiative.

Yours truly,



The Honourable Steve Clark
Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing

Enclosures

c. Janice Baker, Chief Administrative Officer
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