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Member of Parliament Dufferin-Caledon

October 20th, 2020

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

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Re: October 14, 2020 E-mailed Correspondence -October 08, 2020 Council Resolution

Dear Mr. Iannicca,

Thank you for forwarding a copy of Council's October 8th, 2020 resolution supporting a restriction to residential rental evictions as well as your letter to Premier Doug Ford, brining this resolution to his attention. I appreciate you taking the time to keep me informed on Council's initiatives and activities.

As we enter a second wave of COVID-19 we, as government officials, need to be supporting residents who are facing serious financial challenges. Advocating for the residents of Peel who may find themselves in precarious housing situations as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic is most important. I agree with the resolution put forth by Region of Peel Council. Although housing projects do not fall within federal jurisdiction, I appreciate being updated on all initiative's that Council is pursuing.

I look forward to working with Region of Peel Council, and Member of Provincial Parliament for Dufferin-Caledon The Honourable Sylvia Jones to provide adequate support to the residents of Peel during this extremely difficult and uncertain times for all Canadians.

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Thank you again for bringing this resolution to my attention.

Sincerely Kyle Seeback, M.P.

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The Honourable Doug Ford Premier of Ontario premier@ontario.ca

October 14, 2020

Nando Iannicca Regional Chair & CEO

10 Peel Centre Dr. Suite A, 5th Floor Brampton, ON L6T 4B9 905-791-7800 ext. 4310 Dear Premier Ford,

As we address the continued threat of COVID-19, one critical area requiring immediate attention is housing stability. While the continuation of public health measures remains necessary, it is essential to recognize that the resulting economic impacts of the current crisis have a disproportionate effect on tenants, who are experiencing unprecedented job losses and income loss as a consequence.

To this end, Region of Peel Council passed the attached resolution at its meeting on October 8, 2020, requesting that the Province immediately restrict all residential rental evictions, except in case of threats to public safety, and maintain this moratorium on evictions until the COVID-19 pandemic is effectively contained.

With Ontario facing an escalating number of COVID-19 cases indicating that we are entering the second wave, we must support our residents facing precarious housing situations. Keeping Ontarians housed is one of the most powerful tools in controlling the spread and the impact of this virus.

As Service Manager, the Region has taken a proactive approach with all community housing providers, including the Peel Housing Corporation, to encourage a supportive and respectful approach to arrears management with a focus on maintaining successful tenancies. In close collaboration with the Peel Alliance to End Homelessness and the Canadian Alliance to End Homelessness, the Region is also working to implement coordinated access to services for the homeless.

The Region appreciates the financial support received from the federal and provincial governments for our COVID-19 response, including the funds received through the Phase 2 allocation of the Social Services Relief Fund (SSRF). Peel's diverse communities are realizing the positive impact of your support. Today, we are requesting the Province provide additional SSRF funding immediately to support the Region's eviction prevention programs and offset the costs of the provincially mandated rent freeze.

While progress toward a future without this virus continues, we recognize there is much more to do in the weeks and months ahead to bring these effects of the pandemic under control. I look forward to continued engagement in



supporting those who need our help most as we work together to address the challenge and flatten this recent rise in COVID-19 cases.

Kindest personal regards,

and

Nando Iannicca Regional Chair & Chief Executive Officer Region of Peel

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> CC: The Hon. Steve Clark, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing Peel MPs and MPPs Nancy Polsinelli, Interim Chief Administrative Officer, Region of Peel

Attached Resolution 2020-807