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Chris Coates, City Clerk City of Victoria Victoria, BC

BY EMAIL

Dear Mr. Coates:

RE: UBCM Housing Affordability Resolution from the City of Victoria - Request for Consideration and Endorsement by Vancouver City Council

At the Regular Council meeting on June 28, 2016, Vancouver City Council endorsed the UBCM Housing Affordability resolution from the City of Victoria reproduced below:

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.

Yours truly

City Clerk

