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Toronto

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Councillor Cesar Palacio
City Hall
100 Queen Street West, Suite B37
Toronto ON M5H 2N2

Dear Councillor Palacio,

Re: 2054 Dufferin Street

I'm writing to formally express our interest in acquiring 2054 Dufferin Street from the City in order to build simple, decent affordable homes for several Torontonians families living under the poverty line.

As you may know, Habitat for Humanity Toronto is founded on the belief that decent affordable housing is a basic human need. Our mission is to eliminate poverty housing in the Greater Toronto Area, and improve the lives of economically disadvantaged persons, through home ownership. We have partnered with over one hundred families and together, alongside our volunteers and donors, we have help build their homes and break the cycle of poverty.

The work of Habitat for Humanity is a direct, low-cost compliment to the City of Toronto's Housing Opportunities Now Strategy, and the Ontario Government's initiative to provide affordable housing opportunities through homeownership. Opportunities to provide hope on parcels of land like 2054 Dufferin Street would not only allow us to build many more homes for families in need but it will help advance the City's objective to make it easier for Toronto families to find and maintain affordable housing

On behalf of Habitat for Humanity Toronto's partner families and the Board of Directors, we would like to thank you for making the decision to support this organization as we work together towards eradicating poverty housing.

Yours in partnership,

Neil Hetherington
CEO

Cc: Councillor Georgio Mamoliti, Chair, City of Toronto's Affordable Housing Committee
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