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Mayor John Tory Office of the Mayor City of Toronto

Dear Mayor Tory,

We are writing today in support of **Staff Report #2 (Climate Action for a Healthy, Equitable and Prosperous Toronto - The Pathway to a Low Carbon Future)** on behalf of the Pocket Community Association (PCA) Board and our many members who attended our recent AGM.

The PCA is an incorporated community association in the Toronto-Danforth area known as The Pocket, located east of Jones and south of Danforth Avenue. The Pocket encompasses approximately 1100 homes and 3500 residents

Our mission is to promote a strong, vibrant, walkable, livable and safe community, to empower residents of our neighbourhood through community involvement, and to liaise with local officials and organizations on behalf of the Pocket community.

The Pocket has always been an area where residents have a strong interest in environmental issues. One of the PCA's objectives is to promote and foster ecological sustainability, and we have an Energy and Environment Committee that has been approved to explore ways to make our neighbourhood carbon neutral.

We support the TransformTO climate change strategy and the targets it sets out for building a green and prosperous future for Toronto, and we urge you to vote to implement and fund this new climate action plan when it is considered at City Council on May 24th.

Toronto is already a worldwide climate leader, and this is the perfect opportunity to show further leadership on one of the defining issues of our time. The actions outlined in the plan are critical if we are to meet our global climate agreements and protect our city from devastating climate impacts, as well as improve transportation, reduce inequality, improve quality of life and create good jobs for our neighbours and our children.

The actions would directly support the concept of making the Pocket neighbourhood carbon neutral.

Yours truly,

Susan McMurray Chair, Pocket Community Association www.thepocket.ca