

Humewood House

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June 21, 2016

Chair and Members, Community Development and Recreation Committee
c/o Carol Kaustinen, Administrator
City of Toronto, 100 Queen Street West, 10th Floor
Toronto, Ontario M5H 2N2

Attention: Chair Pasternak and Members

Re: CD13.2 Authorization to Amend Christie Gardens' Social Housing Agreement

On behalf of Humewood House, our Board of Directors, and especially the young mothers and babies we serve, I am writing to thank you for the opportunity to purchase 55 and 57 Humewood Drive from the YWCA through the provision of dedicated funding from the City's Capital Revolving Reserve Fund for Affordable Housing.

As you may be aware, Humewood provides supports and services to young pregnant and parenting at-risk youth ages 13 to 25 and their children. The young families we support face multiple barriers in accessing the safe, affordable housing required for their families to have a fighting chance.

The City's investment in this initiative will allow us to refurbish the building at 55 and 57 Humewood so that vulnerable young parents can access services for themselves and their babies. This investment will also preserve affordable housing for low-income residents in our community.

We will work closely with City officials to provide the necessary documentation, including a business plan which will provide details about our organization, a building condition report, a plan for proposed renovations, a draft operating budget demonstrating our financial sustainability, a management plan and a community engagement strategy. We will also be entering into legal agreements to secure the City's investment.

We are looking forward to City Council's consideration of this exciting opportunity which will change the lives of generations of young parents in the City!

Sincerely,



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Cc: Mayor John Tory

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