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Dear Mr. Murray:

I am writing in a response to your letter inviting participation in a proposed Intergovernmental Housing Working Group.

As you know, the province is to implement several initiatives to increase the supply of housing and help people find housing they can afford. These initiatives include the province's Housing Supply Action Plan, the Community Housing Renewal Strategy, as well as the three new programs under the bilateral agreement between Ontario and the federal government.

The Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing (MMAH) values our longstanding and successful partnership with the City of Toronto to plan and deliver housing and homelessness services. In addition, we recognize the importance of collaboration across all levels of government to increase housing supply and to address housing and homelessness needs in the City of Toronto as well as in communities across the province.

The ministry looks forward to participating and hearing more details about the proposed Working Group and discussing it with counterparts at the City of Toronto and the Government of Canada. The Assistant Deputy Minister of Housing, Joshua Paul, would be your best contact at the province to continue this conversation. To schedule, Ashley Ganesh in Joshua's office may be contacted at ashley.ganesh@ontario.ca or 416-585-7627.

Sincerely,

Kate Manson-Smith
Deputy Minister

Cc: Joshua Paul, Assistant Deputy Minister, Housing Division
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