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Dear Committee Planning and Housing Members:

Tenants Network Toronto (T.N.T.), a network of private sector tenant association president's, endorses in principle the Tenant Advisory Committee Updates and 2021-2022 Work Plan (RH5.1); RH5.2 and RH5.3 supplementary reports.

T.N.T. is impressed and supportive of the Tenant Action Committee (T.A.C.) and its work plan. We support the HousingTO 2020-2030 Action Plan and the subsequent sub-committees. We like the idea of not re-inventing the wheel by looking at the New Westminster, B.C. by-law and its transferability to a Toronto and Ontario context.

We support having the Federation of Metro Tenants Association (FMTA), receive increased funding to support work related to illegitimate evictions, expansion of the City's Tenant Defence Fund and having City divisions working together on the policies and programs that assist renters.

Tenant Advisory Committee Updates and 2021-2022 Work Plan says it all in advocating for approximately fifty percent of Toronto's population. We believe affordable housing must be integrated into the community, we further believe we need to address poverty at the same time we address affordable housing.

T.N.T. is still concerned about the impact of Above Guideline (Rent) Increases on housing affordability, whereby renters can face up to nine percent (9%) rent increases over a three year period, we understand this is a provincial policy but it needs more push back by Ontario's largest municipality.

On behalf of Tenants Network Toronto,

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