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## **Letter of Support – Minor Variance Application**

June 13th, 2022

To Toronto City Council,

The Canadian Helen Keller Centre (CHKC) is writing to support the Motion of the Minor Variance Application for 150 Eighth Street by Councillor Mark Grimes and seconded by Councillor Ana Bailão.

CHKC provides deeply affordable independent housing and services to those who are deafblind. We were the first in the world to provide such housing and the demand for our housing has grown to far exceed what we are capable of providing within our current facilities. We are very fortunate that our new housing project, 58 units of deeply affordable housing for the deafblind, has strong government support including the City of Toronto.

This motion if passed will allow for CHKC to deliver affordable housing at a much faster pace and with only a few variances to the recently approved and in-force zoning.

Your consideration and support of this motion is greatly appreciated by our organization and the deafblind community!

Regards,

Philip Corke Board Chair

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