



Covering Canada in Moccasins

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Members of the North York Community Council
c/o City Clerk's Office
North York Civic Centre
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Dear Members of the North York Community Council,

My name is Laurie Froman, and I am writing on behalf of the Moccasin Identifier™ where I serve as Executive Director. Our organization works to Cover Canada in Moccasins so that all Canadians can understand their responsibilities as Treaty People through education and place-knowing on Treaties.

We have been engaged with Northcrest Developments over the past 3 years through Indigenous place-knowing installation partnerships, events at Northcrest and collaborative programming and engagement activities. From the start, Northcrest has shown a clear interest in working alongside Indigenous organizations and understanding how their efforts can complement the work already happening in the community.

Our experience with Northcrest has been shaped by openness and mutual respect. Their team makes time to listen, to learn, and to understand the needs and values of Indigenous organizations like ours, alongside the First Nations we work with and represent. They approach partnerships with humility and respect.

We support the application for the Hangar District because we have seen the efforts Northcrest puts into their Indigenous reconciliation first-hand. They don't just show up one day per year on June 21st, they support the day-to-day efforts of organizations like ours and the work we're trying to do. They help create space and capacity where it is needed most. They bring resources, but more importantly, they bring intentionality and consistency.

The Hangar District reflects what we believe is possible when development is community-informed and guided by shared values. We are looking forward to the benefits this plan can bring to Canada's largest city, including Indigenous economic reconciliation and new accessible recreational spaces that promote awareness to First Nations and Treaties through place-keeping and storytelling.

This work has already created opportunities for connection and collaboration. With the approval of this application, we believe even more doors can open. It will provide a platform for continued partnership, stronger infrastructure for community work, and a chance to make North York a place where more people can thrive.

Thank you for the opportunity to share our support.

Sincerely,

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