

April 9, 2025

Dear Members of the Planning and Housing Committee,

## RE: PH20.1 - 7-9 Wardlaw Crescent - City-Initiated Zoning By-law Amendment Decision Report – Approval

On behalf of My Brother's Keeper – Parkdale, a trusted community anchor supporting newcomers of the African diaspora, we write to express our strong and unequivocal support for the proposed 51-unit supportive housing development at 7-9 Wardlaw Crescent.

Rooted in the values of compassion and community upliftment and guided by the spirit of Matthew 25:35-40, our mission is to create spaces of dignity, healing, and hope for those most often left behind.

Toronto's housing crisis continues to deepen, and this project represents not just an opportunity and a moral imperative. It will provide safe, stable, and affordable housing for some of our city's most vulnerable: seniors, youth, 2SLGBTQ+ individuals, and newcomers. With self-contained units and vital on-site supports, this development will foster long-term stability, inclusion, and well-being for residents — while strengthening the social fabric of the entire neighbourhood.

We urge you to approve the necessary zoning amendment and help make this urgently needed project a reality. Now is the time to act with vision and courage to ensure everyone in our city has not only a roof over their head, but a place to call home.

Thank you for your leadership and consideration.

Sincerely,

## Karen White

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