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Dear Mayor Guthrie and City Councillors,

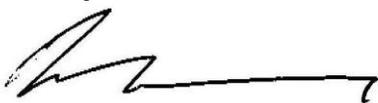
My name is Rick McDonald and I am a long-time resident of Guelph. I am writing once again in support of the zoning by-law amendment for permanent supportive housing located at **85 & 89 Willow Road**.

Our community has a plan to end homelessness by 2023. Creating permanent supportive housing for those who need it most is an essential part of making this happen. Permanent supportive housing is a cost-effective solution that is proven to improve people's lives, increase health and wellbeing, and support a stronger community as a result. When everyone in our community has a safe and affordable place to call home our whole community benefits.

Through volunteering at Chalmers Community Service Centre and my involvement with outreach work through St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, I have come to more fully understand the need for permanent supportive housing in our community.

I believe that everyone should have a safe, stable and affordable place to call home, and access to supports to make that possible. I encourage City Council to approve this amendment and help put an end to homelessness in our community.

Thank you,



Rick McDonald