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Hon. Paul Calandra  
Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing  
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Dear Minister Calandra,

**RE: Congratulations and follow up from the 2023 AMO Conference**

On behalf of the City of Guelph, I want to congratulate you on your new appointment as the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing. I look forward to working with you to support meaningful changes to help with housing needs for all Ontarians, including Guelph residents.

While we didn't have the chance to meet with the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing at the 2023 AMO Conference last month, we included advocacy around the importance of supporting growth and housing in our delegations with other ministries. Guelph continues to be committed to meeting our housing targets as part of the Provincial governments desire to take action on housing. We are encouraged that with provincial support, we will be able to work together to get more homes built faster as outlined in our attached housing pledge – By Guelph, For Guelph. I invite you to continue this discussion as we navigate addressing how the Province can support municipalities in overcoming barriers, such as a permanent municipal-provincial infrastructure funding framework to make municipalities whole following the impacts of Bill 23, as municipalities navigate cost escalation and inflation pressures.

Thank you for your time and consideration as it relates to these important housing issues. For your reference, please find attached Guelph's Housing Pledge to facilitate the construction of 18,000 new housing units by 2031. If you have any questions or would like to discuss these matters in more detail, please reach out to the City by contacting [intergovernmental.relations@guelph.ca](mailto:intergovernmental.relations@guelph.ca).

Sincerely,



Mayor Cam Guthrie



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