Wednesday, November 2, 2023

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RE: National Guaranteed Livable Basic Income

Dear Prime Minister Trudeau and Premier Ford,

I am writing on behalf of Guelph City Council to call on both the federal and provincial governments to work collaboratively towards implementing a National Guaranteed Livable Basic Income to help eradicate poverty and homelessness, and ensure every Canadian has sufficient income to meet their basic needs.

Housing affordability is at crisis levels in Canada, including Ontario. Inflation rates are rising faster than people's annual salaries. Cities across Canada are seeing residents who are increasingly struggling with poverty and issues which cannot be addressed by local governments alone.

We need a National Guaranteed Livable Basic Income to ensure fairness, equality, and dignity for all Canadians.

Thank you for your consideration of this universal need for all Canadians, including Guelphites. If you would like to connect to discuss this matter, I encourage you to reach out to the City at intergovernmental.relations@guelph.ca or mayor@guelph.ca.

Sincerely,

Mayor Cam Guthrie City of Guelph

CC: Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of Finance, Chrystia Freeland; Member of Parliament for Guelph, Lloyd Longfield; Senator



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