Dear Mayor and Members of Guelph City Council,

My name is Hailey Mikkola and I am a community member who is currently renting here in Guelph. I am writing to express my strong support for a renoviction bylaw and the related proposed motions. I believe this bylaw is a critical step toward protecting tenants and preserving the limited affordable housing we have left in Guelph. These efforts would help ensure that renovations, when necessary, are carried out without displacing tenants and jeopardizing their housing stability. It would provide much-needed oversight and regulation to prevent the unfair treatment of renters, who are often left with few alternatives in an increasingly unaffordable rental market. By protecting renters from unjust evictions, a bylaw will support their right to safe, stable, and affordable housing, which is important for a community to thrive.

I urge you to approve these motions and move forward with developing and implementing a renoviction bylaw. Protecting tenants from unfair displacement helps to ensure that Guelph remains a welcoming city for everyone.

Thank you for your attention to this important issue.

Sincerely,

Hailey Mikkola