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Support of Social Housing

To Mayor and Council,

The Burnaby Teachers' Association would like to share our strong support for the proposed supportive housing project at 5389 Imperial Street. As the representative for all Burnaby teachers we understand the importance of supportive housing in our city.

This housing project will provide safe and secure housing for many Burnaby citizens who currently do not have stable housing, or any housing at all. Housing is a human right and can be a critical stabilizer in a person's life. Secure, safe housing is the first step for many Burnaby residents to ensure they have access to community, jobs and education.

In a time where housing is becoming increasingly expensive and having an income does not guarantee that a person can access housing, we need to provide as much social housing as possible. Everyone who lives in Canada deserves access to a place to live in their community. That community includes access to schools and neighbourhood services.

As teachers we teach students about values such as care, inclusion and dignity. As citizens and workers in Burnaby we need to live by those values and ensure that all Burnaby citizens have the same rights.

Please vote in favour of this proposal as the City of Burnaby needs this project to move forward.

Sincerely,

Alex Peters

President, Burnaby Teachers' Association