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Dear Mayor Gondek.

I write after having reviewed the city of Calgary's application to the federal government's Housing Accelerator Fund

Whether in my previous portfolio when you kindly hosted me for roundtable discussions and advocated for Calgary's booming tech sector, or now in my capacity as the Minister responsible for housing. I am grateful for the productive partnership we have established and sincerely appreciate the time you take to engage with me on the issues most important to Calgary.

As you know, the city you love and call home is one of too many facing a housing shortage in this country, and I appreciate your leadership in solving this problem. To this end, it is imperative that we work together and pursue bold ideas while implementing solutions that work for Canadian families and communities.

In terms of Calgary's application, I was pleased with several of the proposals slated for discussion at Council meetings over the coming days. Particularly, I was glad to see Calgary.

- End exclusionary zoning city-wide by legalizing much needed missing middle housing, such as four-unit multi-plexes, through new zoning designations creating new land-use districts
- Invest in affordable housing on public lands, within walking distance of transit;
- Streamline building permit approvals to increase the speed at which housing gets built in Calgary

I understand that key elements of this housing action plan will either be approved or rejected at this week's Council meeting. In light of this, I wish to inform you that Calgary's Housing Accelerator Fund application will not be approved unless you follow through to create the new missing middle zoning designations of H-GO and R-CG, as you laid out in your application. Otherwise said, in order to receive a positive decision from me on your application. You must end exclusionary zoning in your city.

There are members in your community, and elected leaders in your community, that may try to dissuade you from doing the right thing, in pursuit of what is easy. These kinds of attitudes are a



PURPOSE The purpose of this interpretation is to further clarify the requirements for protection of adjacent buildings, water supply and access for firefighting as per the National Fire Code – 2019 Alberta Edition (NFC(AE))

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CODE REFERENCES

NBC(AE), Division B, Article 3.2.5.6. states:

3.2.5.6. Access Route Design

- A portion of a roadway or yard provided as a required access route for fire department use shall
 - have a clear width not less than 6 m, unless it can be shown that lesser widths are satisfactory,
 - b) have a centre-line radius not less than 12 m,
 - c) have an overhead clearance not less than 5 m,
 - d) have a change of gradient not more than 1 in 12.5 over a minimum distance of 15 m,
 - be designed to support the expected loads imposed by firefighting equipment and be surfaced with concrete, asphalt or other material designed to permit accessibility under all climatic conditions,

