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Cancellation of states of emergency

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comments

Dear Regional Council, I am submitting this letter as a written delegation on cancelling the states of emergencies on mental health, homelessness, and addictions. Declaring these states of emergencies was to signal the Region will go beyond/outside the "box" to address these states of emergencies. If it was symbolic, it will be symbolic to now cancel them. Since you do agree these three situations are not actually resolved, it is not a cancellation because the situation no longer exists, and so is really a reconsideration and should require 2/3 to cancel. It is not true that these issues can never be resolved. It IS the case that these issues can exist below emergency levels, this does not mean any is acceptable but low levels are not an emergency. So the declaration is not a "forever" emergency. Residents are not confused that a state of emergency means the Region is putting more resources in. We are clear it means the Region will look for extraordinary/creative

measures to address the issues, which it should. Give us some credit please. Please don't cancel these emergencies and downgrade them to a crisis. The same reasons you voted for the declarations should be why you should vote against cancelling them. Thank you, Saleh Waziruddin

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