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Ann-Marie Norio, Regional Clerk
Niagara Region
1815 Sir Isaac Brock Way
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Dear Ms. Norio:

In compliance with Section II.3. of The Regional Municipality of Niagara/ Niagara Regional Housing Operating Agreement. Please find attached the NRH 2018 Annual Report on the Corporation's activities and achievements, which consists of a one page introduction to the imbedded four minute video report.

Your assistance is requested in moving NRH 14-2019, the NRH 2018 Annual Report, through the Public Health & Social Services Committee to Council for information.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Walter Sendzik', is written over a horizontal line. The signature is stylized and somewhat abstract.

Mayor Walter Sendzik
Chair



Message from the NRH Board Chair

2018 ANNUAL REPORT



On behalf of the Niagara Regional Housing (NRH) Board of Directors, I am proud to share the 2018 Annual Report. NRH is a leading organization that is working hard to address the issues of affordable housing in Niagara.

Communities across Canada are struggling to keep pace with the challenges of an increasing lack of affordable housing. The issues of affordable and social housing are complex and the solutions will only come about when organizations and people work together. With a growing wait list for affordable housing that crosses all demographics and family types, NRH is committed to finding new ways, more partners and new ideas to accelerate the

building and improved maintenance of social housing in our communities.

In 2018, NRH has new housing projects in St. Catharines, Niagara Falls, Thorold and Welland. We have forged new partnerships with community organizations like Bethlehem Housing and Support Services. We have increased our investments in updating our own units, and we have worked with non-profit and cooperative housing to create stronger communities through events and programming.

This is only the beginning. NRH understands that housing is a right, not a privilege in Niagara. We are going to continue to lead, partner and support the building of new social and affordable housing in our communities.

Niagara is a place where everyone should have a home.

I hope you enjoy this video of our accomplishments: [2018 Annual Report](#)

Sincerely,
Walter Sendzik | NRH Chair