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By email: sia.foryoh@globalnews.ca & sia.foryoh@corusent.com

Attention: Sia Foryoh

Dear Ms. Foryoh:

Re: Erin Booth and Habitat for Humanity Victoria

We write further to our letter of June 14, 2024.

Since that time, we have obtained additional limited consent from Ms. Booth to disclose additional information. Our client's further reply is in italic font below:

The primary objective at Habitat for Humanity Victoria is to provide safe and affordable home ownership opportunities to families living with low to moderate incomes. Habitat for Humanity Victoria and its volunteers work very hard to provide this opportunity for hard working local families in the Capital Regional District.

The long-standing model is based on a written partnership agreement. Habitat for Humanity Victoria works closely with each family to ensure participants are clear on the terms of the agreement, including their obligations to meet the program requirements.

Regrettably, the family in question has not met the terms of their agreement and Habitat Victoria made the difficult decision to end the partnership. The family's claims are not in line with the true situation and contrast our organization's work and mission to provide safe and affordable housing to families in need.

Habitat for Humanity Victoria and its volunteers work very hard to provide an opportunity for hard working local families to obtain affordable home

ownership in the Capital Regional District. The program delivers this with a great deal of volunteer effort and requires the commitment of the recipient family to the terms of the program so that it can continue to assist others. Suffice to say, Ms. Booth was provided with an opportunity that few receive and agreed to the terms of a written partnership agreement. She has failed to adhere to that agreement.

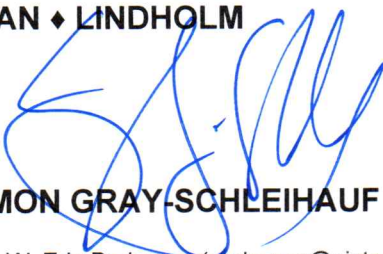
In the last 3.5 years, Habitat for Humanity has provided many opportunities (nine in total) to support Ms. Booth in meeting her agreement obligations including payment reductions and term extensions through four separate periods of unemployment. She has also unfortunately declined offers by our organization for support in transitioning out of the program, which remain an option to her. We are disappointed that despite these efforts, Ms. Booth has chosen to focus on an alternative version of events that is taking valuable time and resources away from the over 100 families in Victoria who are either on waitlist to benefit from our housing program or already in partnership, ready and committed to their goals of home ownership.

Rest assured that at Habitat for Humanity Victoria, the decision to end any partnership agreement is taken extremely seriously. To uphold the integrity and long-term viability of the program, it becomes essential to make such decisions when attempts to fulfill the agreement's obligations have failed. As always, Habitat for Humanity Victoria is guided by its mission of providing safe and affordable housing to families in need and will continue to deliver on this mission.

Our client will be making no further comment at this time.

Sincerely,

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