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Provincial Housing Strategy Cities Commit to working with Minister

(Fredericton) – The Cities of New Brunswick Association (CNBA) supports the new provincial housing strategy released today by the Minister Responsible for Housing, the Honourable Jill Green. It is a very comprehensive and ambitious vision that will require close collaboration, something to which cities plan to commit.

“A \$500-million dollar investment towards improving New Brunswick’s housing situation shows a solid commitment to beginning to address the many challenges we are facing around affordability and accessibility in New Brunswick,” says Moncton Mayor Dawn Arnold and VP of CNBA.

CNBA has repeatedly asked for a greater focus and bold actions from the Province on this issue and consequently salutes the renewed NB Housing Corporation and the announcement of the Housing Strategy today. Both are necessary pillars for the Government of New Brunswick to promote a sustainable solution and meet its housing responsibilities.

“The new strategy, Housing for All, provides a foundation that we can collectively build upon to ensure increased housing development, greater affordability, and greater diversity in housing options,” says Fredericton Mayor Kate Rogers.

In particular, the CNBA applauds goals of 6,000 new housing units per year, increasing the availability of skilled trades for housing development, and reducing the number of New Brunswickers who spend more than 30 per cent of their income on housing.

The CNBA is also encouraged by promises from Minister Green to work with cities on programs that support affordable housing development in urban centres, such as transit and other important infrastructure improvements. As well, the CNBA is reassured by Minister Green's commitment to monitor the impact of this strategy closely while accepting input from municipalities and other stakeholder groups.

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