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Attached is a letter of support for Item 4.6.

I, Janice Elliott, provide consent for my communication to be included on a public agenda.

Agenda for the 6th Meeting of the Strategic Priorities and Policy Committee

Item 4.6 – Councillor D. Ferreira – Advocacy Request – For-Profit Addiction Treatment in Ontario

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Item 4.6 – Councillor D. Ferreira – Advocacy Request – For-Profit Addiction Treatment in Ontario

To City Council

This letter is in support of Councillor Ferreira's request to address the for profit approach to addiction services in London and other communities.

Presently I have a family friend whose son is addicted to Methamphetamine. His addiction consumes himself and the family. The family lives in fear of the next phone call. This individual and family require not for profit assistance with wrap around services. There needs to be a coordinated approach for all supports including residential rehab, mental health counselling, housing supports and meeting people where they are on the street. Funding cuts to 519 Pursuit and Ark Aid exacerbate the crisis in supporting individuals with addiction. London is going in the wrong direction in helping those individuals with addictions.

For profit focus on addiction treatment in London and Ontario is not the best delivery model for supporting individuals with addictions.

Sincerely

Janice Elliott, Retired Nurse