## Appendix A



OFFICE OF MAYOR MATT BROWN December 2015

Prime Minister Trudeau House of Commons Ottawa, Ontario

Dear Prime Minister Trudeau,

On behalf of London City Council, I would like to offer our support for the federal government's efforts to resettle those affected by the events in Syria. Your leadership on this humanitarian effort has set a bold example for leaders in our community to follow.

In order to effectively support newcomers in Canada, we must demonstrate a collective commitment to their resettlement. In September faith organizations came together to support incoming families. Together, Londoners raised over \$400,000 dollars to support privately sponsored refugees. Recently, I have partnered with the United Way and local settlement agencies to raise additional funds support organizations that provide services and resources to new Londoners.

When we work together, we are able to support new members of our community – so they are able to find meaningful employment, safe places to live, and neighbourhoods to become a part of. The City of London is looking forward to continuing to work with other levels of government to resettle incoming refugees.

I am proud of how our country has come together in the past months to prepare for the arrival of new families to Canada. It is clear that we will welcome those seeking refuge with open arms.

Sincerely,

Mayor Matt Brown

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