

April 14, 2016 London, Ontario

Att: Linda Rowe, Deputy City Clerk

Re: For inclusion in the April 18 SPPC Agenda

Dear Mayor Matt Brown and City Council Members:

I am pleased to provide a letter of endorsement and support for the collected recommendations by the Mayor's Advisory Panel on Poverty, *London for All: A Roadmap to End Poverty*. On behalf of the Centre for Research on Health Equity and Social Inclusion (CRHESI), I wholeheartedly welcome the opportunity to support the City of London as it seeks to implement these recommendations.

The Centre for Research on Health Equity and Social Inclusion is a newly established centre, led jointly by the Faculty of Health Sciences and the London InterCommunity Health Centre. CRHESI's mission is to provide support for innovative research through collaboration and partnership by Western University researchers and London community organizations. We seek to optimize the participation of and outcomes for people who have experienced vulnerability or marginalization. Our Centre acts as an engagement hub for community partners – including funders, policy makers, service providers, service users and researchers – involved in health equity and social inclusion work.

As co-director of the Centre, and on behalf of our extensive network of community and academic partners, I welcome this report. Moreover, my colleagues and I look forward to working with the City of London, members of the community, and key stakeholders in efforts to achieve the vision of ending poverty in one generation.

Sincerely,

Steve Goodine

Board Chair, InterCommunity Health Centre

Inspector, Professional Standards Branch, London Police Service

Co-Director, Centre for Research on Health Equity and Social Inclusion