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CANADA

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Chair and Members of the
Community and Protective Services Committee

Re: Assist Community Organizations in Distribution of Food to Individuals in Need

It has come to our attention that community organizations that distribute food to individuals in need have recently experienced challenges in providing this service due to Provincial regulations pertaining the refrigeration of food. These community organizations rely on donations to carry out their work and do not have the financial resources to purchase a truck with refrigeration capabilities to meet the Provincial regulations.

In order to assist the continuations of the good work of these community organizations in the distribution of food donated by corporate grocery suppliers, we respectfully request that the following recommendation be supported:

“The Civic Administration BE REQUESTED to review and report back in a timely manner to a future meeting of the Community and Protective Services Committee on actions that could be taken to assist community organizations in meeting government regulations to distribute food to individuals in need, including a timeline as to when any potential actions would be implemented; it being noted that this could include providing access to a refrigerated truck to collect donations from corporate grocery suppliers.”

Respectfully submitted,

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