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June 15, 2023 Corporate Services Department, Legislative Services Division 605 Rossland Road East, Level 1 PO Box 623 Whitby, Ontario L1N 6A3

Good afternoon,

I am writing to kindly invite all municipalities in Durham Region to participate in our upcoming Hockey Helps the Homeless Durham Region Tournament. The event, which is in support of Durham Youth Services, will take place on December 1<sup>st</sup>, 2023 @ Delpark Homes Centre in Oshawa.

Hockey Helps the Homeless is a charitable organization that provides support to homeless individuals across Canada. We host hockey tournaments in various cities to raise awareness and funds to support local homeless organizations. The Durham Region tournament has granted \$85,000+ to Durham Youth Services through the contributions and fundraising efforts of over 300 players, volunteers, and sponsors. We are so excited to bring this event back bigger and better to the community in 2023.

Every one of our tournament cities has a unique element which separates itself from the rest. We believe Durham Region's unique element is the ability to leverage representatives from each municipality in the region and foster an internal competition between representatives including but not limited to local Police, Fire and Municipal offices.

Steve White (HHTH Durham Region Committee Chair & Durham Youth Services Board Member) and I are happy to address any questions the representatives may have regarding the event or Hockey Helps the Homeless. Shannon Jackson (Executive Director, Durham Youth Services) is also available to answer any specific questions on how the funds are distributed amongst Durham Youth Services programming.

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Thank you for considering our invitation and we look forward to seeing representatives from all 8 municipalities on the ice in December!

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