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THE CITY OF NEW BRUNSWICK

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Dean Santa
Multifamily Asset Division Manger
U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development
451 7th St SW Rm B146
Washington, District of Columbia, 20410

Dear Mr. Santa,

On behalf of the City of New Brunswick, I write to express my support for the New Brunswick Housing Authority's **Application for Disposition** under Section 18 of the United States Housing Act.

Like many cities across the nation, New Brunswick faces the challenge of preserving and expanding access to quality, affordable housing, particularly for our lowest-income residents. Much of our public housing stock was constructed many decades ago and is in need of modernization to better align with current standards for energy efficiency, functionality, and resident comfort.

Through this Section 18 application, the New Brunswick Housing Authority seeks to take a bold, responsible step forward. The proposed disposition would allow the Housing Authority to remove obsolete structures, construct modern, high-quality housing, and transfer the properties to a qualified public nonprofit under its control. This approach ensures continued affordability while leveraging more sustainable funding streams, unlocking long-term reinvestment, and providing strong local oversight and accountability.

This is not merely a matter of rehabilitation, it is an opportunity to reimagine our affordable housing infrastructure using today's best practices, with the goal of securing safe, resilient, and equitable housing for future generations.

The City of New Brunswick views this effort as a vital component of our broader commitment to housing justice and neighborhood revitalization. We are proud to partner with the New Brunswick Housing Authority in this endeavor and strongly urge HUD's favorable consideration of this application.

Thank you for your attention and continued dedication to supporting local housing solutions.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Jim Cahill".

JIM CAHILL