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Subject: Letter of Resignation from Housing and Homelessness Advisory Committee

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Hello Iain,

I am writing to tender my resignation from the Housing and Homelessness Advisory Committee of the City of Kingston, effective immediately. I hope I've gone through the right channels to send this, but please feel free to correct me if I've gotten this wrong.

I wish to express my gratitude for the opportunity to contribute to discussions on issues related to homelessness and advocacy. However, I find that my values no longer align with the decisions being made by the mayor, and I cannot, with confidence, continue to engage in this role with the best intentions for our unhoused population. My dissatisfaction stems from a perception of complacency towards discriminatory approaches by certain city officials towards our most vulnerable populations, which impedes my ability to make a meaningful impact with confidence within the committee.

I believe that participating in council meetings as a member of the public would enable me to contribute more effectively. This approach would allow me to speak more freely about my lived experience with homelessness and advocate with greater honesty and intent.

I extend my best wishes to all involved and hope that our collective efforts will lead to a city and community that is safe and welcoming for all individuals, particularly those who are most vulnerable.

Sincerely,

River Hill

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