

# ESTABLISH HOMES ONTARIO

To the Legislative Assembly of Ontario:

**WHEREAS** housing has never been more expensive to rent or buy in Ontario;

**WHEREAS** both private developers and non-profit providers have noted that without access to free land, creating new rental housing is increasingly difficult due to high development costs, and creating affordable rental housing is nearly impossible;

**WHEREAS** it is more cost effective for Ontario and non-profit providers to build affordable housing than the private sector. Access to serviced public land lowers the building costs from 15-30%, particularly in cities, where land is often at a premium;

**WHEREAS** this investment is cost-effective, will ensure Ontario builds the kind of homes we need at an affordable price, and will create good jobs and economic prosperity for all regions of Ontario;

**THEREFORE** we the undersigned petition the Legislative Assembly of Ontario that the Government of Ontario should establish and fund a new public agency called Homes Ontario to finance and build 250,000 new affordable and non-market homes on public land over ten years, to be operated and/or constructed by public, non-profit or co-op housing providers.



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