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The Honourable Irfan Sabir
Minister of Human Services
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Dear Minister Sabir,

I am writing to congratulate you on the recent announcement of your government's commitment to substantially increase funding for women's shelters in our province.

It is hard to think of a more important and badly-needed initiative for Alberta's families, and it will most certainly pay significant long-term dividends in improving the safety and wellbeing of so many of our province's vulnerable women and children.

It is also clear that it will be of enormous help to the shelter workers who have struggled to provide necessary assistance to these women and families, and were previously not able to do what they knew needed to be done.

I am particularly pleased with the more comprehensive approach involved, which will better meet the needs of these families over the longer term, and will benefit our whole society as a result.

I know that Alberta's government is struggling with the constraints of a difficult financial situation, which makes this commitment to resources and actions even more impressive and appreciated.

Sincerely,

Larry Booi
Board Chair, Public Interest Alberta

cc. David Morhart, Deputy Minister, Alberta Human Services
Jan Reimer, Executive Director, Alberta Council of Women's Shelters