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Mayor's Statement on Hamilton Exceeding Provincial Housing Target

HAMILTON, ON – Today, Mayor Andrea Horwath issued the following statement regarding Hamilton exceeding its 2023 housing target set by the Province of Ontario.

I signed the Housing Pledge in February 2023, committing the City of Hamilton to accelerate the creation of 47,000 new homes in our City by 2031.

I'm thrilled to announce that the City of Hamilton has not only met but exceeded our 2023 housing target. Working collaboratively with our local development industry and community stakeholders, and thanks to the hard work of City staff and Council, there were 4,142 new homes, including long-term care beds, built in Hamilton last year, which is 120% of the provincial housing target.

Hamilton is among just 19 Ontario municipalities with housing targets who have met or exceeded their annual target and as such is eligible for increased funding under the Province's Building Faster Fund. This critical funding will help fund new infrastructure and strengthen our ongoing initiatives to expand housing options for our residents.

It's clear that Hamilton is doing its part to get more homes built faster. I am grateful to Council and staff for their commitment to meeting and exceeding our provincial housing target. There is no doubt that the people of our great City deserve access to stable housing they can afford. I remain steadfast in my commitment to fostering the growth of diverse housing options and ensuring every citizen has access to secure affordable housing.

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