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March 16, 2022

Ms. Candace Barone
Kay Blair Hospice
50 Queen Street
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Dear Ms. Barone:

The Ministry of Health (the “ministry”) is aware that Kay Blair Hospice has been identified as the preferred health care provider to deliver residential hospice services in 12 beds in the Brampton area and is therefore in the process of acquiring land to create a hospice facility.

To increase access to palliative and end-of-life services in the province, the ministry partially funds providers who have been approved for building and/or operating new residential hospice beds. To be approved for capital grants, providers are required to submit proposals, along with endorsements from health system partners for the ministry’s review and assessment. Successful applicants could be eligible for capital grants of \$200,000 per bed, and/or yearly operational funding at a rate of \$105,000/bed/year from the ministry.

The ministry is aware that Kay Blair Hospice is working with health system planners to finalize a business case for their residential hospice program. Upon successful completion of the business case, Kay Blair Hospice would be expected to sign an accountability agreement outlining service provision, funding, planning and integration, reporting requirements and performance metrics. Additionally, Kay Blair Hospice may apply to the ministry’s Hospice Capital Program which provides funding grants for eligible facilities.

Upon completion and approval of all required components for operational and capital funding, Kay Blair Hospice could be eligible to receive:

- Up to \$1,260,000 annually for the delivery of palliative and end-of-life services in the proposed 12 beds;
- A one-time capital grant of up to \$2,400,000 for planning and construction costs of the approved hospice.

Certain preconditions must be met before the ministry can award a hospice capital grant; this includes evidence of title to land already purchased/leased for this purpose by the organization. A hospice capital grant is also dependent on the province’s commitment to provide operational

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funding for planned nursing services. Please note that operational funding supports an applicant's eligibility for a hospice capital grant but does not guarantee approval of that request. Kay Blair Hospice is eligible for the above funding, pending approval of its business case and a demonstration of its readiness and capability to build a residential hospice.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Joshua Lovell". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial 'J'.

Joshua Lovell
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