

21 November, 2017

Shirley Seward  
Chair, Board of Trustees  
Ottawa-Carleton District School Board

Dear Ms. Seward,

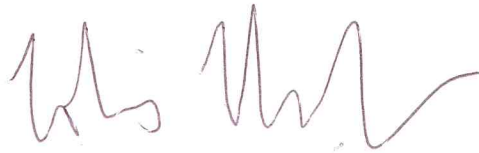
I am writing in support of the joint application between the Rideau-Rockcliffe Community Resource Centre and the Odawa Native Friendship Centre to develop the former Rideau High School, at 815 St. Laurent Blvd, into a Community Hub. I am excited that these two organizations have come together, along with the many partner agencies who have expressed an interest in joining forces with them.

The proposed Community Hub is an exciting opportunity to transform a now empty neighbourhood asset into a thriving public space to deliver programmes and services to local residents, particularly those in situations of social or economic vulnerability. We know that a number of communities in close proximity to 815 St. Laurent Blvd. have much higher percentages of low-income households than the city average. To be able to offer a range of resources and supports under a single roof would be hugely beneficial for the entire catchment and beyond.

I am not alone in my support for this project. My colleagues Councillors Mathieu Fleury and Tim Tierney, whose wards adjoin Rideau-Rockcliffe to the west and south-east of the facility and whose residents will also benefit from the establishment of a Community Hub at this location, are both also in favour of it.

Please be assured of my commitment to support the Community Hub application process in any way I can over the coming weeks and months.

Sincerely,



**Tobi Nussbaum**  
City Councillor, Rideau-Rockcliffe

cc Mathieu Fleury, Councillor, Rideau-Vanier  
Tim Tierney, Councillor, Beacon Hill-Cyrville  
Chris Ellis, Ottawa-Carleton School Board Trustee, Zone 6 Rideau-Rockcliffe/Alta Vista  
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