City Council and Executive Planning Committee.

As we noted, we have a tremendous opportunity to ensure that travel recovers in a way that is safe, sustainable and benefits everyone – spreading economic benefits to more people'

We remain committed to work with you as part of this consultation. Winnipeg short-term rental regulations must provide more stable and consistent guidance for governments and support for communities recovering from the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic. These regulations also have the potential to benefit the regular people who share their homes throughout Winnipeg and earn valuable income that helps them pay their bills.

For this consultation to succeed, it is critical that we recognize how the COVID-19 pandemic has fundamentally changed travel and develop forward-looking rules that reflect the way people will travel in the weeks, months and years to come. To that end, today, we are writing to share insights regarding travel in Canada and Winnipeg that we hope you will consider as this consultation begins:

1. **Travel has become more distributed, with more people visiting rural destinations and smaller communities.** More people are seeking out remote, less densely populated destinations, helping to spread tourism to new areas.

1. **The lines between work, travel and living are blurring and people are living on Airbnb.** Technology is making it easier to live and work anywhere, and people are embracing this new flexibility.

1. **Winnipegs are benefiting from hosting.** Short term rentals enables everyone to have the opportunity to financially benefit from tourism, with the vast majority of the economics on Short Term Rentals going directly into the pockets of ordinary people.

We hope the forthcoming public consultation will consider these and other trends in travel, and we are eager to build on our strong record of collaborative work with regulators and policymakers. governments

I look forward to working with you closely during the coming months as we set the foundation for a rebalance of Winnipeg travel that benefits everyone for decades to come.

With kind regards

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