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A Dream Come True for Two Fredericton Families!

Fredericton, NB – Habitat for Humanity New Brunswick (Habitat NB) will have the privilege of joining with two Fredericton families today as they celebrate the realization of their dream of affordable homeownership!

Construction of a duplex on Albert Street began last September, after Habitat NB was the grateful recipient of a building lot that was generously donated by the City of Fredericton. Acquisition of suitable land is always an important first step to construction of Habitat for Humanity homes and is often one of the significant challenges faced. This latest donation is a continuation of the City's ongoing commitment to support affordable homeownership efforts in our community.

"These homes were only made possible through the support of our donors, partners and volunteers," says Perry Kendall, CEO, Habitat for Humanity New Brunswick. "We are so thankful to have the opportunity to partner with the City of Fredericton, the provincial government and the Government of Canada on these houses. By working together, we can help many more families build strength, stability and independence through affordable homeownership."

Since 2019, the Government of Canada has made a total funding commitment of \$1.6M through the Affordable Housing Fund under the National Housing Strategy towards Habitat New Brunswick projects, including these homes.

"Organizations such as Habitat for Humanity play a crucial role in our efforts to ensure that every Canadian has a secure place to call home," said the Honourable Sean Fraser, Minister of Housing, Infrastructure, and Communities. "The federal government is committed to investing in more affordable homeownership options across the country, including right here in Fredericton. I am proud to welcome these two families into their new homes today and I wish them all the best."

In March 2023, the Government of Canada and Habitat for Humanity Canada announced an additional \$25 million investment to build 500 new affordable homes across Canada over the next three years. This brings the total federal investment in Habitat for Humanity to \$80.8 million through the Government of Canada's National Housing Co-Investment Fund

It is support such as this that allows Habitat for Humanity to build a solid foundation for families in communities throughout our province.

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About Habitat for Humanity New Brunswick

Habitat for Humanity New Brunswick is a non-profit charitable organization working towards a world where everyone has a safe and decent place to live. Habitat for Humanity brings communities together to help families build strength, stability and independence through affordable home ownership. For more information, please visit <http://www.habitatnb.ca>,