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Dear Neighbour,

It gives me great pleasure to send this message of introduction to you, as the Director of House of Hope – La Maison de l'Espérance. We have been operating a Community Residential Facility (CRF) or federal halfway house for 43 years at our Gilmour location within the Golden Triangle. We have recently completed the purchase of the property at 157 McLeod Street, and we are very much looking forward to getting to know you and the neighbouring members of this location.

Over the coming months you will be seeing some minor construction activity as we remodel the current home into a Community Residential Facility (CRF). In a nutshell, this means that House of Hope will be providing housing and case management support to 10 adult males who have been approved for supervised community release from a federal institution by the Parole Board of Canada and accepted for residency by the House of Hope resulting from our internal risk assessment. We are contracted by the Correctional Service of Canada to ensure their transition back into the community is done in the safest and most supportive manner possible.

As a next step, we would like to take the opportunity to get to know you better, and to answer any questions you may have. To this end, I would like to propose that we meet in person sometime in the coming weeks to have a conversation about our plans for the immediate and long-term future as members of this neighbourhood. If you would be so kind as to contact me at tracey.cortes@houseofhope.ca, I would be pleased to set up a time to come to your home or meet at a neighbourhood coffee shop – whatever is most convenient for you.

Thank you in advance for taking the time to read this and to learn more about who we are and what we do. I look forward to meeting you.

Best regards,

Tracey Cortes
Director,
House of Hope – La Maison de l'Espérance

