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Subject: Temporary modular housing approved for 5077/5095 Heather Street site

Dear Mayor and Council,

Today, the development permit was approved for 98 new temporary modular homes at 5077 and 5096 Heather Street, on the Heather Lands site. For these two new buildings, priority will be given to Indigenous residents experiencing homelessness. The focus on supporting Indigenous residents in these buildings is in line with the need identified through Vancouver's annual homeless count, which shows Indigenous people make up 40 per cent of Vancouver's homeless population.

BC Housing has selected Lu'ma Native Housing Society as the nonprofit housing operator. Lu'ma will provide support services to the tenants 24/7, including life skills training, volunteer work, employment preparation and connections to community-based programs.

As part of the temporary modular housing program in Vancouver, 502 new homes have been approved with 208 already built and tenanted. Approximately 100 homes are in the approval process. More information can be found below, or at www.vancouver.ca/temporarymodularhousing

An Information Bulletin (IB) will be released shortly.

Best,
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