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**MOTION - ENDORSEMENT FOR THE NATIONAL
CHILDREN'S BOTANICAL GARDEN OF CANADA**

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CITY WIDE

REPORT RECOMMENDATION

That Council approve that the Mayor write a letter of support for the National Children's Botanical Garden project on behalf of Ottawa City Council.

At the Chair's direction, and with the will of the Committee, the following Motion was added for consideration at the Standing Committee on Environmental Protection, Water and Waste Management meeting of Tuesday, 22 March 2022:

MOTION No SCEPWWM 2022 22-01

Moved by Chair S. Moffatt (on behalf of Councillor D. Deans):

WHEREAS the National Children's Botanical Garden of Canada (NCBG) is a registered charity seeking to construct a year-round education and activity hub providing programming for children, youth, families and adults focused on improving the health of communities and the planet and engaging residents on issues like climate change, food security and environmental sustainability; and

WHEREAS this proposed project would have important social and environmental benefits, including the creation of a community gathering

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space connecting people through food, enhancing food literacy, and promoting sustainability practices; and

WHEREAS the facility being proposed would also be certified to a high level, aiming to produce more energy than they consume and offset carbon emissions; and

WHEREAS the proposed project aligns with City of Ottawa plans to build a greener, more inclusive and healthier City, including the City of Ottawa's Climate Change Master Plan and New Official Plan; and

WHEREAS the NCBG is seeking to lease National Capital Commission land at 3798 Bank Street to construct the proposed project; and

WHEREAS a professionally consulted viability study is a NCC lease condition; and

WHEREAS the NCBG is seeking financial assistance from the Federation of Canadian Municipalities Green Municipal fund for the cost of the viability study, estimated at \$60,000; and

WHEREAS an endorsement from City Council is required in order for the NCBG to be eligible for funding from the Federation of Canadian Municipality's Green Municipal Fund;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Standing Committee on Environmental Protection, Water and Waste Management recommend that Council approve that the Mayor write a letter of support for the National Children's Botanical Garden project on behalf of Ottawa City Council.

Councillor D. Deans spoke to provide context for her Motion. The Committee then 'CARRIED' the Motion, as presented.