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Dear Mayor and Council:

I am writing to express my **strong support** for the family-oriented stacked townhome development at Eighth St. and 8th Ave. currently under consideration. As a resident of this community, I believe that this project would be a valuable addition to our neighbourhood and would provide much-needed housing options for families in our area.

The modern architectural design of this development is both striking and functional, and I believe it would be a wonderful addition to our neighbourhood. The design is aesthetically pleasing, and I believe it would complement the existing architecture in our area, while also bringing a fresh and modern feel to our community.

One of the features of this project that I find particularly appealing is the retention of a heritage character home. This is an important aspect of our community, and I believe it is essential that we work to preserve our heritage buildings. The fact that this development includes a heritage home shows a commitment to maintaining the character of our community while also providing much-needed housing options.

Another aspect of the project that I regard as a net positive, is the reduction in parking. As a site that is well served by transit and the city's burgeoning bike infrastructure, reduced parking ratios make sense for this site. This move demonstrates a commitment to reducing our environmental impact, and I believe it sets a positive example for other developers in our area.

Finally, I believe that this development would be an excellent choice for families. The stacked townhome design is a great way to provide affordable housing options for families while also maintaining a sense of community. The design encourages interaction between neighbours, which can be especially important for families with children.

In summary, I strongly support the family-oriented stacked townhome development that is currently under consideration. I believe that this project would be a valuable addition to our community, and I encourage you to approve it.

Thank you for considering my views on this matter.
Sincerely,

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