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Dear Guaranteed Livable Income supporters,

The push for a Guaranteed Livable Income (GLI) is continuing to grow and find more and more supporters. Recently the Moderator of the United Church has released a video calling for action to build support for GLI for all Canadians. You can view it <u>HERE</u>.

The current focus in building support for a GLI is a campaign to encourage municipalities in provinces and territories across the country to pass resolutions that will be sent to the respective provincial or territorial governments and the federal government asking that a GLI be implemented across Canada.

Most recently, thanks to the hard work of many people supporting the basic income movement, including members in the UC GLI network, we have begun to see successes in a number of municipal campaigns. The current crop of resolutions is particularly effective because not only do they show community support for a GLI, but they also direct municipalities to communicate this support to leaders of the provincial and federal governments, the Premier, and the Prime Minister, and in some cases sitting members of government (Members of Parliament (MP), Senators, and Members of the Legislative Assembly (MLA)).

Locally, several United Church members in Ottawa are working with Basic Income Ottawa group (BI Ottawa) to build teams throughout the city to meet and write to Councillors to demonstrate wide-spread support for an Ottawa Council resolution to the federal and Ontario governments to implement GLI. We are inviting you to join the team for action in Ottawa.

The chart shown below illustrates how this action is related to the overall efforts by groups to promote a BI. In addition, we would like to establish a GLI working group from Ottawa churches to collaborate with BI Ottawa in coordinating constituent visits to Ottawa councillors to advance the building of support for the resolution. For an overview of progress on the national municipal campaign click HERE.

Please also have a look at the additional resources and documents listed at the bottom of this page: <u>Creating a Guaranteed Livable Income Program</u>. These are key documents that explain the benefits and feasibility of GLI.

As one supporter has said "The world we need will never just appear or be given to us. It must evolve gradually in ways big and small by the efforts of many people coming together across the country to advocate for change."

Please lend a hand and send an email to Clarke Topp at <a href="clarketopp@gmail.com">clarketopp@gmail.com</a>

With hope you will join us,

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## Linkages Among BI Networks and UCC Regional GLI Councils

