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**SELECT COMMITTEE ON ESTIMATES 2024-2025**

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**ANSWER TO QUESTION ON NOTICE**

Asked by: Ms Jo Clay MLA

Addressed to: Minister for Housing and Suburban Development

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Hearing Date: 26/07/2024

In relation to: Community Services Directorate and Growing and Renewing Public Housing revenue reinvestment.

Question Lodgement Date: 30/07/2024

Date Answer Due: 07/08/2024

On 14 May 2019 you advised the Legislative Assembly of the Growing and Renewing Public Housing Program. You advised 'To supplement the \$100 million investment, Housing ACT will also sell around 700 older dwellings that will generate \$500 million to reinvest straight back into the growth and renewal of public housing'. At the hearing last week the Director General Community Services Directorate (DGCS D) said that 'it is not because we have to sell to sustain ourselves'. The DGCS D subsequently said 'the money comes in sits on the books of Housing ACT and gets reinvested in the activities of Housing ACT, so in one way shape or form that money went back into housing either construction build, maintenance or service delivery'. The Executive Branch Manager Finance subsequently advised 'The sale of properties for the Grown and Renewing Program... the 610, those have all been reinvested in the Growing and Renewing Program'.

1. Can you confirm that all of the revenue received from the sale of public housing properties has been reinvested 'straight back into the growth and renewal of public housing' as per your statement to the Assembly on 14 May 2019?

Yvette Berry MLA: The answer to the Member's question is as follows:

1. The revenue from the sale of 610 properties has all been reinvested into the growth and renewal of public housing.

Approved for circulation to the Select Committee on Estimates 2024-2025

Signature:

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20/08/24

By the Minister for Housing and Suburban Development, Ms Yvette Berry MLA