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ᐊᖏᖃᑎᒌᒍᑎ 19, 2019 - ᐊᑲᖅᖃᖅᑐᐃᔨᕐᔪᐊᒃᑯᑦ ᓄᓇᕗᒻᒥ ᖃᓄᐃᑦ ᑲᒪ ᓄᑖᖕᒪᖅ ᐊᖅᖃᖅᑐᐃᔨᕐᔪᐊᒃᑯᑦ ᐱᖅᑐᐊᖅᓯᒪᔪᒃᑯᑦ.

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On July 15th, 2021, Deloitte & Touche LLP (“Deloitte”), Gowling WLG, and Deloitte Canada LLP (“Deloitte Canada”) filed a class action lawsuit on behalf of the Hope for Wellness Foundation (“Hope for Wellness”) against 24 defendants, including the National Capital Commission, the Government of Canada, and the City of Ottawa, alleging that they are responsible for the deaths of at least 30 people in the Ottawa area who were found dead from drug overdoses between 2017 and 2020.

Deloitte Canada LLP led the investigation into the deaths, which involved reviewing medical records, coroner’s reports, and other evidence. The investigation found that the defendants failed to take reasonable steps to address the crisis of addiction and overdose deaths in the region.

The lawsuit seeks damages on behalf of the families of the deceased, as well as a public interest declaration that it is in the public interest to take action against the defendants.

The lawsuit was filed in the Superior Court of Justice of Ontario, and the case number is 1771774. The plaintiffs are represented by Deloitte Canada LLP, Gowling WLG, and Deloitte & Touche LLP.

For more information, please visit www.hopeforwellness.ca.

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