

April 10, 2023

To the Finance and Operations Committee, Members of the  
Board of Directors and the Chief Executive Office  
**The Children's Trust**

We have audited the financial statements of the governmental activities and the general fund of The Children's Trust (the "Trust") for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2022 . Professional standards require that we provide you with information about our responsibilities under generally accepted auditing standards and *Government Auditing Standards*, as well as certain information related to the planned scope and timing of our audit. We have communicated such information in our letter to you dated November 14, 2022. Professional standards also require that we communicate to you the following information related to our audit.

### **Significant Audit Findings**

#### ***Qualitative Aspects of Accounting Practices***

Management is responsible for the selection and use of appropriate accounting policies. The significant accounting policies used by the Trust are described in Note 1 to the financial statements. No new accounting policies were adopted and the application of existing policies was not changed during September 30, 2022, with the exception of the implementation of Governmental Accounting Standards Board ("GASB") Statement No. 87, *Leases*. We noted no transactions entered into by the Trust during the fiscal year for which there is a lack of authoritative guidance or consensus. All significant transactions have been recognized in the financial statements in the proper period.

Accounting estimates are an integral part of the financial statements prepared by management and are based on management's knowledge and experience about past and current events and assumptions about future events. Certain accounting estimates are particularly sensitive because of their significance to the financial statements and because of the possibility that future events affecting them may differ significantly from those expected. We did not identify any management estimate that is considered solely subjective to management bias.

Certain financial statement disclosures are particularly sensitive because of their significance to financial statement users. There were no sensitive financial statement disclosures.

The financial statement disclosures are neutral, consistent, and clear.

***Difficulties Encountered in Performing the Audit***

We encountered no significant difficulties in dealing with management in performing and completing our audit.

***Corrected and Uncorrected Misstatements***

Professional standards require us to accumulate all known and likely misstatements identified during the audit, other than those that are clearly trivial, and communicate them to the appropriate level of management. We did not identify any misstatements.

***Disagreements with Management***

For purposes of this letter, a disagreement with management is a financial accounting, reporting, or auditing matter, whether or not resolved to our satisfaction, that could be significant to the financial statements or the auditors' report. We are pleased to report that no such disagreements arose during the course of our audit.

***Management Representations***

We have requested certain representations from management that are included in the management representation letter dated April 10, 2023.

***Management Consultations with Other Independent Accountants***

In some cases, management may decide to consult with other accountants about auditing and accounting matters, similar to obtaining a "second opinion" on certain situations. If a consultation involves application of an accounting principle to the Trust's financial statements or a determination of the type of auditors' opinion that may be expressed on those statements, our professional standards require the consulting accountant to check with us to determine that the consultant has all the relevant facts. To our knowledge, there were no such consultations with other accountants.

***Other Audit Findings or Issues***

We generally discuss a variety of matters, including the application of accounting principles and auditing standards, with management each year prior to retention as the Trust's auditors. However, these discussions occurred in the normal course of our professional relationship and our responses were not a condition to our retention.

**Other Matters**

We applied certain limited procedures to Management's Discussion and Analysis, Schedule of Changes in the Trust's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability and Related Ratios, Schedule of the Trust's Contributions – Pensions, Schedule of Changes in the Trust's Total OPEB Liability and Related Ratios and a Budgetary Comparison Schedule for the General Fund, which are required supplementary information (RSI) that supplement the basic financial statements. Our procedures consisted of inquiries of management regarding the methods of preparing the information and comparing the information for consistency with management's responses to our inquiries, the basic financial statements, and other knowledge we obtained during our audit of the basic financial statements. We did not audit the RSI and do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on the RSI.

We were not engaged to report on the introductory and statistical sections, which accompany the financial statements but are not RSI. Such information has not been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements, and accordingly, we do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on it.

**Restriction on Use**

This information is intended solely for the use of the Finance and Operations Committee, Members of the Board of Directors, the Chief Executive Officer, and management of the Trust and is not intended to be, and should not be, used by anyone other than these specified parties.

Very truly yours,

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