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December 5, 2011

Jane Dyson
BC Community Living Action Group
c/o BC Coalition for People with Disabilities
#204-456 West Broadway
Vancouver, BC V5Y 1R3

Dear Ms. Dyson:

Re: Request for Resolution

In regards to your correspondence dated October 13, 2011 regarding the above-noted matter, please be advised that at the November 21, 2011 meeting, North Saanich Council passed the following resolution:

Whereas the Provincial Government has reduced funding for adults with developmental disabilities, resulting in the closure of group homes and increasing waiting lists for services;

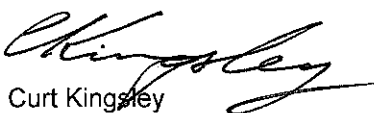
And Whereas these group homes form a vital and necessary part of the communities in which they are located to provide homes and support for parents and their adult children with development disabilities;

And Whereas the forced relocation of adults with developmental disabilities, against their will and without the support of their families, is causing severe emotional hardship to many families and growing vulnerability in the community, jeopardizing health and safety and increasing the risk of illness or homelessness;

Therefore be it resolved that Council urge the Provincial Government to provide sufficient financial resources to maintain existing group homes and address growing waitlists.

I trust the above is satisfactory, please contact the undersigned if you have any questions in this regard.

Sincerely,



Curt Kingsley
Manager, Corporate Services





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Honourable Mary McNeil
Minister of Children and Family Development
PO Box 9057 Stn Prov Govt
Victoria, BC V8W 9E2

Dear Minister McNeil:

Re: Funding for Group Homes and Services for Adults with Developmental Disabilities

Please be advised that at the November 21, 2011 meeting, North Saanich Council considered the attached correspondence dated October 13, 2011 from the BC Community Living Action Group regarding the above-noted matter passed the following resolution:

Whereas the Provincial Government has reduced funding for adults with developmental disabilities, resulting in the closure of group homes and increasing waiting lists for services;

And Whereas these group homes form a vital and necessary part of the communities in which they are located to provide homes and support for parents and their adult children with development disabilities;

And Whereas the forced relocation of adults with developmental disabilities, against their will and without the support of their families, is causing severe emotional hardship to many families and growing vulnerability in the community, jeopardizing health and safety and increasing the risk of illness or homelessness;

Therefore be it resolved that Council urge the Provincial Government to provide sufficient financial resources to maintain existing group homes and address growing waitlists.

On behalf of the Mayor and Council of the District of North Saanich, thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

Curt Kingsley
Manager, Corporate Services

