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To Whom It May Concern:

I am pleased as a resident of Yellowknife and as program coordinator of a family resource centre to express my support of the Yellowknife Association for Community Living. Our program has a close relationship with YKACL and we work cooperatively with several of their projects to address issues for families dealing with disabilities.

I understand that YKACL is in danger of loosing funding for the respite program. This would be a huge loss to our community and I think that a community which has so much to offer should definitely look twice at any such decision.

Our program deals daily with families struggling to find supports and services to help them maintain and develop healthy families. Yellowknife poses some unique problems with families being isolated from their extended families and support systems. It is imperative if we are to have a healthy community that this community takes some responsibility is supporting families in general and especially those with need for respite.

I encourage your strong reconsideration towards funding for this worthwhile and important program.

Thank you.

Sincerely, Udanchick

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