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Sam Garga, M.L.A., Deh Cho Region. Government of the N.W.T., Yellowknife, N.W.T. X1A 2L9

Dear Sam:

## Re: Establishment of a Youth Hostel

The Council's moved at their meeting on January 23rd, 1985. to give you their full support in your efforts to have the Department of Social Services establish a youth hostel within the community of Fort Providence.

As Fort Providence is a very traditional community, and most of the families still earn their livings in the bush, it is very hard for the children of those families to obtain a proper education. If there was a hostel here, the children would have somewhere to stay, and still be near their families. A properly supervised hostel would provide a better, and more stable life for those children, who are now shuffled from one overcrowded family to another overcrowded family within the community. It would also provide a closer place for the smaller children from Kakisa Lake, and would allow them closer contact with their parents during their formative years.

Yours truly,

FORT PROVIDENCE DENE BAND AND SETTLEMENT COUNCIL ALLIANCE.

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