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**BY HAND**



THE HONOURABLE DANIEL NORRIS,  
COMMISSIONER OF THE N.W.T.

**Fort Smith Health Centre**

As you may be aware, a situation of some concern to myself and my constituents in Fort Smith has arisen with respect to the administration of the Fort Smith Health Centre. The situation has deteriorated to such a degree that the Board of Management no longer exists and a public administrator has been appointed. There has been a tremendous amount of rumour, innuendo and misinformation circulating in Fort Smith with respect to the adequacy of health care provided to the residents of Fort Smith. As a result of the fact that Court records in this matter have been sealed, there is no apparent mechanism in place to provide the citizens of Fort Smith with accurate information as to the state of their health care and to address the legitimate concerns that the people of Fort Smith have with respect to the administration of health care in their community.

I feel that this is a critical issue and is an issue of great concern to the residents of Fort Smith and the immediate area. Accordingly, pursuant to section 2 of the *Public Inquiries Act*, I am requesting that a Public Inquiry immediately be struck to review the issues surrounding the administration and quality of medical services provided to residents of Fort Smith.

I look forward to a positive response at your very earliest convenience.

  
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