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Mr. Zoe,

I am writing to you on behalf of the 55 NWTTA educators in the DDBE that have voiced a strong concern over the proposed housing policy of the government, and its detrimental effect on the education system within your riding of North Slave. Simply, we would not like to see this housing policy pass.

If the proposed housing policy is passed by the government as it is written now, it will effect every school, every student, and every family in a harmful way. You will lose educators (due to unrealistic housing costs) that will be hard to replace, and there will be a loss of continuity in the classroom, and in schools. Also it will effect an extreme financial hardship on new teachers (if any are recruited) and on aboriginal educators who do not yet have degrees, both of which are at the lower pay levels. Without qualified educators, the quality of education within your riding will be lowered. Can the government afford to have this happen?

In the past, you have supported education in the North Slave, as noted in your addresses at the openings of new schools in Ft. Rae and Rae Lakes. Please continue this noble cause, and do not support the proposed housing policy because of the harm it will do to the education of the children.

Yours sincerely,



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