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Superintendent
Dept. of Social Services
Government of N.W.T.
Bag Service #1
Inuvik, N.W.T.
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Dear Mr. Donnelly:

Re: Senior Citizens' Home

The subject of Senior Citizens' Home for Fort Norman have been discussed frequently in the past but no decisions have ever been made. We have also brought the subject to the attention of both GNWT and NWT Housing Corporation officials but all answers we have receive to date are negative.

The community have done several surveys and it was noted that the elders are reluctant to participate because they see a home as some kind of an institution as shown on TV programs.

The Fort Norman Band Council feel that a home should be provided as it is a real must and some points are as follows:

- a) elders would move if they were to see the building and see the actual operation of the building,
- b) some elders are presently living in rental units which are badly needed by younger families,
- c) several elders are now living in homes far below living standard; house unkempt and dirty (no one to clean or cook for them) and they are often out of firewood. We think the elders should be care for as well be provided if they are living in a home.

Mr. Paul Donnelly

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The Band Council of Fort Norman request that you look into the matter for us and include the construction cost in the next Capital Plan budget. We would appreciate an early reply on the subject.

Thank you for your attention.

Yours truly,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Paul Wright".

Paul Wright, Chief

cc Mr. John T'Seleie MLA Fort Good Hope, NT
Hon. B. McLaughlin MLA Yellowknife, NT
NWT Housing Corporation, Inuvik, NT