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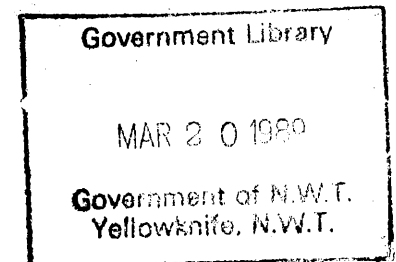
Mr. Ludy Pudluk
MLA for High Arctic
Yellowknife, N.W.T.

March 14, 1989

Dear Mr. Pudluk;

I have few concerns regarding "New Rental Scale" as previously discussed with you, and as was broadcasted through local radio when the representative from Housing Corporation was in town.

- 1) The problem is this, people who have employment that live in rental houses will pay a substantially higher rent. I fear that these employed persons who do jobs well, as you know we have a low population in our community. once they realize that their rent is too high, consequently they might decide to leave their present jobs and seek employment that will provide housing (i.e. with the government). This especially affects those who share the same unit, they will be paying unrealistically high rents.
- 2) Maggie Straggen, Regional Program Coordinator when she was in town, defined income as including investment income as well as interest income. How will the NWT Housing Corporation find out about such persons with investment income or interest incomes? It is obvious that these persons will not want to reveal their investment income, and there is nothing the NWTHC can do anyways. What I am trying to say is that the proposed rental scale by NWTHC does not identify what policies they have in place to look into such matters that I have just raised.
- 3) Out of the household income \$800.00 will be deducted per month, which would have been used for day to day living expenses. The problem is this, the rate is the same whether there is one occupant, or many occupants with dependents living in the same unit. As you know when you have to feed a large family, the living expenses are alot higher.



The proposed rental scale is opposed by the majority of the residents of Grise Fiord. We would appreciate it very much if you would vote against the proposed rental scale. We will continue to oppose the Rental Scale until the necessary revisions are made.

When I was going through this proposed rental scale I saw a lot of things that could create problems, but I wanted my letter to be brief. You will have been contacted by me prior to the arrival of this letter. Should you have any questions please don't hesitate to call me. My home phone number is (819) 980-9933 or ;you can contact me at my office at (819) 980-9959.

Sincerely

Jaypeetee Akiaruk
Mayor of Grise Fiord