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Government of N.W.T.
Yellowknife, N.W.T.

March 18, 1988

Members
House of Commons
London, England

Re: Fur Labelling

Dear Members:

It has come to our attention that there is legislation before you that would have all "trapped" furs labelled.

We feel that this kind of action, however "humanitarian" in sound, would end-up hunting humans. Those people who make their living feed their families and clothing themselves, from the money earned by trapping are the ones who really suffer. A fur coat does not look any different on a persons back whether it is trapped or killed some other way. The end result is that the people hunt are usually low-income natives of Canada, not the rich.

The people of the North, love the land and the animals which God has given but they must use the land and the animals to survive.

Please see to it that when you attempt to protect animals that you do not do so by "trapping" humans into a life of welfare and social degradation.

The Council passed the motion/88 "that the Hamlet Council strongly objects to the labelling of trapped furs" Carried.

Yours Sincerely,

Jackie Nakoolak
Mayor

c.c. Tommy Suluk M.P. - House of Commons 453 West Block
Peter Ernerk - M.L.A. Yellowknife
Hon. Titus Alloo, Renewable Resources Yellowknife