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Members of the Legislative Assembly:

Every family has a time to rejoice, whether it be a birth, birthday, holidays or good news.

I would like to inform the public of the tragedy that has occurred in my family. On October 14/90 my brother Patrick was in an accident on the Fort Providence highway. Later that week we received a telephone call stating that he had been medivac to the University of Alberta Hospital in Edmonton, Alberta.

My brother Patrick Norman Lafferty was born on January 21, 1961. He was a great all around athlete. He is well respected by the people of our community.

He is very strong in his mind, and is one who can withstand anything. Now he remains in bed completely paralyzed, on a life support system.

He seldom receives visitors. We visit him as often as we can, due to financial difficulties we are unable to visit him often enough.

On Christmas Day my sister Pearl and I visited him, his emotional state wasn't so good, due to the fact

that he's miles away from his family and friends. On that day I told him that I would do everything in my power to bring him closer to home. I also informed him that I would be receiving information and would speak to dignitaries to see if they can be of any assistance. This brought a smile to his face.

The north has always been referred to as kind and generous, we have been known to have a lot of Northern hospitality. Now is the time to prove it. This is why I am now turning to the public. Now what I am asking of you is to donate as much or as little time or money so that we can purchase these machines for the Yellowknife Station Hospital, as there are no machines of this kind in the N.W.T. If anything should happen to my brother Patrick these machines will remain in the N.W.T.

If anyone has a heart they will respond to this letter. Your kindness will be greatly appreciated through-out our lives. We would sincerely love to see that smile more often.

We are presently in the process of organizing a Paralysis Fund where your donations can be made.

Open your hearts to a donation or a prayer. God bless you and thank you for taking the time to listen.



Sincerely,

Ilana Leggett
And family