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Fern Domineli, CAO DSAB 210 Mead Blvd Espanola ON P5E 1R9

Dear Mr. Domineli,

After learning of the decision made by the Manitoulin-Sudbury District Services Board to increase geared to income rental units in our catchment area, Council of the Town of Espanola strongly urges the Board to reconsider this decision.

The high rental increase being placed upon those who are dependent on social housing goes against the very fabric of the Board's existence; the Board is charged with helping those in need; not imposing additional financial hardship. This astonishing rate of increase would not be an accepted standard to those who are not being served by DSAB, it certainly shouldn't be one established by the Board.

Council is hopeful that a reconsideration of this issue will allow the Board to implement an increase to geared to income housing in a fair and affordable manner; one that will not be detrimental to those dependent on these services.

Sincerely

Ron Piche

Mayor