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Mr. Les Gamble  
Chair  
Manitoulin-Sudbury District Services Board  
210 Mead Boulevard  
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Dear Chair Gamble:

Thank you for your correspondence regarding Ontario's Home for Good (HFG) initiative.

I appreciate your taking the time to write about your expression of interest proposal under HFG, and recognize the Board's disappointment about not being selected to participate.

I know that you and your community partners put a great amount of work into your proposal, and I would like to acknowledge your efforts. I also value the informative report that you provided regarding the transitional community support services being offered in your area.

At this time, the ministry is unable to commit to your request for \$42,000 in HFG operating funding, to match funding from the North East Local Health Integration Network.

Funding under Year 1 (2017-18) and Year 2 (2018-19) of HFG has been allocated to participating Service Managers. As you may know, an additional \$25 million in funding will become available under Year 3 (2019-20) of this initiative. However, please note that no final decisions have been made regarding how these funds will be distributed.

I encourage you to continue thinking about your proposed operating activities in the event of any HFG funding becoming available in the future.

Once again, thank you for bringing your concerns to the attention of the government. Please accept my best wishes.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Peter Milczyn".

Peter Milczyn  
Minister