



WABUSH

January 28, 2022

**Minister of Health and Community Services
Minister of Children, Seniors and Social Development
St. John's, NL A1B 4J6**

Dear Minister Abbott and Minister Haggie,

The Town of Wabush reaches out to you to bring to your attention the shortfalls in our community and region relative to Seniors care and Health Care in general.

Many times, over the years, the Town of Wabush has met with Ministers and Representatives at various levels to discuss the Seniors and Residents needs in Labrador West. The discussions often included lack of family doctors, lack of specialists, overflow of our long term care ward, lack of home care, no senior's accommodation or housing, no assisted living, etcetera.

The most recent highlight is the plight of Cheryl Hardy, long time resident and former Councillor of the Town of Wabush. Her daughter Angela Elizabeth Marie Hardy is facing a battle many have faced over the years, the potential that her mother will be ripped from her loved ones and sent elsewhere creating financial and emotional hardship for the family. All because we are unable to look after our seniors in our own communities and region.

The residents of Labrador West deserve better. These people came to an isolated, remote mining camp and built a community that has thrived and provided revenue to the Province for over fifty years.

We call on the Province of Newfoundland and Labrador to do better for its residents.

Yours Sincerely,

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Mayor, Town of Wabush

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