Resolution No. 34-02-15

Moved by: M. Erskine

Seconded by: D. Orr

Resolved that the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Northeastern Manitoulin and the Islands supports the following resolution forwarded from the Manitoulin Centennial Manor and forward a copy of this resolution on to Minister of Health, Dr. Eris Hoskins, MPP Michael Mantha, other municipalities, First Nations and UCCMM for support.

Whereas funding requests from member municipalities was frozen from 2010-2011 resulting in a zero growth budget;

And Whereas funding increases from the Ministry of Health and Long Term Case has been increased but not kept pace with increases in costs to Long Term Care Facilities including staff salaries and benefits;

And Whereas Long Term facilities are one of the most important aspects of eldercare in the Province's care scheme;

And Whereas Capital renewal funding needs to be provided to ensure facility standards are maintained;

And Whereas additional funding is required by the LTC's to meet increased costs for Behavioral Services Ontario (BSO) to better manage dementia and mental health care;

And Whereas funding has not been provided to provide Alternate Care for complex health conditions requiring specialized staff and equipment such as IV therapy or tube feeding especially in smaller facilities;

And Whereas attracting and maintaining adequate staff requires recognition of the partnerships that exist between the LTC's and the health sector;

And Whereas fundraising campaigns have not met the needs of the Manitoulin Centennial Manor in its efforts to maintain superior care for its residents;

Be it resolved that the Board request its member municipalities support a request to the Province to increase funding to Long Term Care Facilities in keeping with the foregoing;

And Further that this request be forwarded to the Manitoulin Municipal Association for whatever action they deem necessary;

Carried