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Mr. Bill Walker,
MPP Bruce-Grey-Owen Sound,
100/920 1st. Ave. W.
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Dear Mr. Walker,

I am a 91 year-old widow, living in my own home at East Linton.

Over this year my Dr. enrolled me in the new Home Health Care Program, managed by additionally trained Paramedics, from which I benefit greatly. Routine visits occur every 3 months, with the opportunity of calling at any time between the hours of 7.00 a.m. and 7.00 p.m., should any health problems arise - and help comes quickly.

During my last visit, I was asked to complete a Survey on the program, which I did. However, while this is needed, it only became cold statistics. Therefore, I feel it is vital to provide - from experience - the human faces behind that survey, and the benefits derived, and what actually happens throughout each visit.

After enquiring how well, or otherwise that the patient is doing, the Paramedics discreetly, professionally and very thoroughly perform a physical exam. They ask and answer many questions, give advice on medical and medication concerns. All of this is carried out in an interested, reassuring and friendly manner. I cannot speak highly enough of the quality of care delivered by these kindly providers. Routinely, all that occurs during each visit is immediately transferred electronically to the family physician. Also a wide variety medical equipment comes too, and is used as is needed.

I am aware that funding cuts - or worse - are likely to come, sooner than later,.

I am told that you, Mr. Walker, are the current Opposition Critic in this current Provincial Parliament; thus, I believe you are the person who might have some knowledge of this funding review. I hope you maybe able to have the capacity to find influence to look into this matter and save damage to this invaluable economical service to the community,

The advantages are many.

Rural transportation in Grey and Bruce is non-existent. Often patients experience difficulty finding a way, especially to visit his/her doctor. With this present Home Health Care System with capable Paramedics, much of the worry common to seniors, is removed. Well worth every penny the Government spends.

I, personally am truly grateful for the peace of mind and comfort of staying in my own home, and medical care can come so pleasantly to me.

I would be pleased to hear from you, to add any further information you may require, or in my own home, whatever your preference and convenience.

Thank you,

Sincerely,



Elizabeth Heathers.