

Transfer of Housing Northwest Territories Market Rental Units to Tenants

WHEREAS Housing Northwest Territories operates a portfolio of market rental units across the territory;

AND WHEREAS many of these units are currently occupied by tenants who have demonstrated stable residency, consistent payment history, and strong community ties;

AND WHEREAS enabling current tenants to assume ownership of the units they occupy can support housing stability, increase homeownership rates, and reduce long-term operational and maintenance costs for Housing Northwest Territories;

AND WHEREAS transitioning units to tenant ownership, where appropriate, aligns with broader goals of promoting self-sufficiency, community empowerment, and sustainable housing models;

AND WHEREAS a structured and transparent transfer framework, including fair market valuation, optional financing support, and eligibility criteria, would help ensure an equitable and orderly transition process;

NOW THEREFORE, I MOVE, seconded by the Member for Mackenzie Delta, that this Legislative Assembly calls upon the Government of the Northwest Territories to conduct a detailed assessment of its market rental inventory to determine which units are suitable for transfer, taking into account building condition, community needs, and long-term housing strategy impacts;

AND FURTHER, that the Government of the Northwest Territories develop and implement a program allowing for the transfer or sale of selected market rental units to the current tenants occupying them, subject to clear eligibility criteria including, but not limited to, tenancy duration, payment history, and demonstrated capacity for property ownership;

AND FURTHERMORE, that the Government of the Northwest Territories be encouraged to support this initiative by reviewing any legislative, regulatory, or policy adjustments necessary to facilitate the orderly transfer of market rental units to current tenants.

AND FURTHERMORE, that the Government of the Northwest Territories respond to this motion in 120 days.

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Date of Introduction:

Date de présentation :

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