

PETITION

To: The Legislative Assembly of Ontario

WHEREAS, the Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care (MOHLTC) has changed its policy on how seniors living in supportive housing are served; and

WHEREAS, due to this new policy of the Ontario government, seven senior homes in York Region will be closing their on-site Alternative Community Living Programs on April 1, 2014, leaving 200 long-time residents living in these homes without the on-site continuous care they have been receiving from dedicated workers that have served them for years; and

WHEREAS, the on-site proactive and responsive care will now be replaced by a hub-and-spoke reactive care model relying on seniors themselves initiating calls for help that will have a response time of 15 minutes, at least, because the care giver is not on-site but in a mobile unit and because this is unacceptable for seniors and residents who have for years relied on on-site staff to assist them with medical equipment, medical assistance, personal and other unanticipated needs; and

WHEREAS, the closure of the on-site care service will lead to inadequate care to meet the true needs of the seniors and residents and will result in undue hardship on residents and their families;

THEREFORE, we the undersigned, petition the Legislative Assembly of Ontario: That the Ontario Government reverse its decision that is leading to the closure of the Alternative Community Living Programs in seven seniors and retirement homes in York Region and that the government stop the transfer of on-site continuous and proactive care to a reactive call with 15 minutes delay for care that will lower the quality of life for seniors and residents in the seven affected homes.

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