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Honourable Christine Elliott, MPP
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Mitzie Hunter, MPP
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Dear Minister Elliot and M.P.P. Hunter,

I have been contacted by Catherine Newman, Chair of the Health and Safety Committee at Masaryk Park Homes, located at 452 Scarborough Golf Club Road. They have asked for their community building complex be considered as a priority location to receive the COVID-19 vaccine to serve their approximately 103 senior residents aged from 70 years to well into their 90's.

Masaryk Park Homes wishes to be considered to receive the Covid19 Vaccine and testing onsite as soon as possible. Having the vaccine administered onsite would serve the senior resident population in a safe and effective manner without having to leave the community.

Since the start of the outbreak, Masaryk Park Homes has worked diligently to protect themselves from the spread of COVID-19, including an early lockdown of social areas, limiting visitors, self-funding the installation of hand sanitizer stations as well as posting appropriate signage.

Registered Nurses from Scarborough Centre for Healthy Communities, provide onsite service to the residents, expressing a high approval for their unique space, and well conducted procedures which have been put in place at Masaryk Park Homes.

Masaryk Park Homes residents and staff have already participated in a seasonal flu immunization clinic. This took place in a large well-ventilated common area, which is suitable for physically distanced medical clinic purposes. Residents remained in their units until called to attend individually or with those they lived with to receive their immunization. Once vaccinated, they moved to a separate area for appropriate monitoring before returning to their units. Three residents were accommodated in their units.

I look forward to your reply. It would be highly appreciated if Catherine Newman RN, BScN, Chair, Health & Safety Committee for Masaryk Park Homes could also be contacted directly via email at cathabn15@gmail.com

I hope you remain safe and well.

Sincerely,

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c.c. Catherine Newman RN, BScN, Chair, Health & Safety Committee Masaryk Park Homes.
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