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Dear Minister Lecce:

The purpose of this letter is to bring to your attention that, at its regular monthly meeting of February 27, 2020, the Manitoulin-Sudbury District Services Board [Child Care Funding - Issue Report](#) and [Resolution #20-22](#).

A duly authorized copy of the Manitoulin-Sudbury DSB Resolution # 20-22 is attached as well as the issue report calling upon the Ministry of Education to address the funding inequities that have been created by the current funding model for Northern Ontario, and to adopt the use of the Low-Income Measure After Tax (LIM-AT) instead of the current Low-Income Cut Off After Tax (LICO-AT) in order to better and more accurately reflect the level of poverty faced by families in Ontario. The use of LICO-AT disproportionately and inappropriately favours communities in Southern Ontario compared to communities in Northern Ontario.

We look forward to working with the government in addressing this important issue.

Sincerely,

Les Gamble  
Chair of Manitoulin-Sudbury DSB

cc: Premier Ford  
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