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Amber Lea Place
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Dear Amber Lea Place:

I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for the petitions you submitted to my office regarding the Eves government's long-term care fee increase across the province of Ontario.

Over 1, 000 Brant citizens signed the petition, which I was happy to present to Premier Eves in the Ontario Legislature on October 8, 2002. Please find enclosed a copy of my statement on the petition.

Residents in long-term care facilities have prided themselves in making their own way throughout their life. They have worked and saved to put some money aside for their retirement years. With an increase of this magnitude, many residents will deplete their savings and be forced to request a subsidy. Unfortunately, the Minister does not seem to understand the impact the decision of his government has on the residents or the dignity he is removing from these residents.

Dalton McGuinty and the rest of the Liberal Caucus, including myself, believe it is the responsibility of the government to help fund nursing care for the residents.

Once again, thank you for your support.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in dark ink that reads "Dave".

Dave Levac, MPP
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