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Dear Neighbour,

I am writing to share an important commitment by the BC NDP Team to help protect residential leaseholders in BC.

I have met with many of you and understand how frustrating and stressful it has been to see rising costs, unclear terms, inflexible timelines, and a lack of communication from management. I know many of you live on fixed incomes and have invested much of your life savings in your leasehold.

I believe you deserve transparency, accountability, and more long-term financial security. I also believe that, like renters, you deserve support from government and the protections a new legislative approach could offer.

We commit that a re-elected New Democrat government will continue our work to help more British Columbians access safe, affordable, and secure housing by **introducing legislation to better protect residential leaseholders**. That legislation will be guided by the 2024 report by MLA Spencer Chandra-Herbert and by working directly with leaseholders like you, who understand these problems better than anyone and have helped me appreciate the magnitude and nature of the challenges and injustices.

Our goal is straightforward: Leaseholders deserve transparency about what they are paying for and why, accountability from those who manage their leases and buildings, and greater long-term financial security in the place you call home.

This commitment recognizes that leaseholders deserve to be included in and protected by the BC NDP's broader housing plan. The idea is simple: people who work hard should be able to afford a good, secure home here in BC. That plan is making a difference. Housing costs are coming down faster in BC than anywhere else in Canada, and the Speculation and Vacancy Tax has helped turn 20,000 empty units in BC into homes for people. But a secure home isn't only about price. It's also about the fairness and stability of the arrangement you live under.

It is time for that progress to include leaseholders, and we will keep working on it with your support.

I look forward to connecting with you in the coming weeks following the election.

Thank you, again, for raising this issue, for your advocacy and for helping us understand the gaps in transparency and accountability, and the impact it is having on you and your community.

In gratitude,

Grace Lore
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