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Village Council Village of Douglastown P.O. Box 250 Douglastown, NB EOC 1HO

Dear Sir:

This letter is a follow-up to a conversation I had with Mayor Kierstead on September 30, 1986 concerning a request by the Miramichi Cross Country Ski Club to the Village. My purpose now is to formalize this request to a meeting of the Council.

The Miramichi Cross Country Ski Club was relocated to its present site from the French Fort Cove area in 1981. From its beginning in Douglastown the Village has given the club its support and cooperation. Due to this support we have been able to offer a safe and valuable recreational opportunity for club members. Last year, however, you began to plow McKinnon Road which seriously affected the safety for skiers. One lady is reported to have broken a hip while coming off the snowbank onto the sanded road. It is also a matter of concern for the safety of our Jackrabbit skiers (aged 4-12). In addition to the safety factor, the enjoyment of skiers is quickly diminished when they come across the now sanded, salted and/or muddy road.

We have been petitioning the Provincial Government for a tunnel under McKinnon Road to alleviate this problem. I have been promised this may be constructed this fall and if not then definitely next year. If the tunnel is not constructed this fall, I am requesting that you consider not plowing the stretch of McKinnon Road beyond Silverbirch Subdivision for this winter.

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On behalf of all the skiers I extend my thanks for your cooperation in the past and sincerely hope that you will be able to fulfil this request. I would also like to invite the Council to our open house on the weekend of November 22 to see our club and hear our plans for the coming winter.

Yours truly,

Cyril P. Donahue

President

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