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Dear Dave Kennedy:

Thank you for your letter dated November 10, 2023, on behalf of the Manitoba Life Lease Occupants Association (MLLOA).

As part of the Department of Consumer Protection and Government Services, the Residential Tenancies Branch (RTB) is an impartial office responsible for administering The Residential Tenancies Act (RTA) and The Life Leases Act (LLA). These acts define the rights, responsibilities, and obligations of both landlords and tenants of residential rental units in Manitoba. The RTB also ensures that these acts, their regulations and related legislation are regularly reviewed to ensure a marketplace that serves both tenants and landlords fairly.

As Bill 29, The Life Leases Amendment Act, received royal assent on May 30, 2023, the RTB is currently working on proposed amendments to the Life Leases Regulation. In addition, I have been advised that the RTB, with the help of the MLLOA, is close to completing its review of the next set of proposed changes to the LLA recommended by the working group for government's consideration.

As was the case when the working group led by the RTB identified changes that could be made to the LLA and RTA, the RTB looks forward to the MLLOA playing a key role in bringing forward additional proposed changes. The RTB is committed to maintaining communication and collaboration with the MLLOA throughout the various stages of this process.

I trust the information that I have provided will be helpful to you. We continue to appreciate your feedback and the MLLOA's proposals on how Manitoba's legislation can be improved to better serve both tenants and landlords.

Should you have any further questions, please contact Darren Cooper, Manager of Rent Regulation at the RTB, by phone at 204-945-4435 or toll-free 1-800-782-8403, or by email at darren.cooper@gov.mb.ca.

Sincerely

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