PETITION TO THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF NEW BRUNSWICK

SAY NO TO THE PRIVATIZATION OF HEALTH SERVICES IN NEW BRUNSWICK

TO THE HONOURABLE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF NEW BRUNSWICK, ASSEMBLED: THE PETITION OF THE UNDERSIGNED AND OF THE SOCIÉTÉ DE L'ACADIE DU NOUVEAU-BRUNSWICK, HUMBLY SHEWETH THAT PROCEEDING WITH THE PROPOSED PRIVATIZATION OF HEALTH SERVICES IS NOT IN THE BEST INTEREST OF NEW BRUNSWICK AND IS NOT SUPPORTED BY ITS CITIZENS.

WHEREAS the government of New Brunswick has retained the services of Medavie without soliciting tenders from other potential service providers;
AND WHEREAS the government of New Brunswick has adopted a non-transparent, non-collaborative approach to decisions respecting proposed privatization of extra-mural and tele-health programs;
AND WHEREAS the government of New Brunswick has unilaterally decided to privatize the extra-mural and tele-health programs without duly establishing through scientific study that this course of action will result in a higher quality of healthcare services for patients;
AND WHEREAS if such a study has been done, it has not been made public;
AND WHEREAS neither Medavie nor the Province of New Brunswick has not revealed a potential service delivery model;
AND WHEREAS the government of New Brunswick proposes to privatize these healthcare services against the wishes of the Vitalité Health Network's board of directors, a body in part elected by the people of New-Brunswick;
AND WHEREAS both the Vitalité and Horizon Health Networks are public, non-commercial bodies with elected directors beholden to the citizens of New Brunswick;
AND WHEREAS the proposed privatization represents a non-collaborative approach that is an affront to the autonomy of both the province's health networks;
AND WHEREAS the proposed privatization has provoked a strong negative reaction from the people of New-Brunswick;

WHEREOF YOUR PETITIONER HUMBLY PRAYS THAT YOUR HONOURABLE HOUSE MAY BE PLEASED TO ASK THE LIBERAL GOVERNEMENT TO CANCEL ITS PROPOSED CONTRACT WITH MEDAVIE IN REGARDS TO THE PRIVATIZATION OF THE EXTRA-MURAL AND TELE-HEALTH SERVICES, AND AS IN DUTY BOUND YOUR PETITIONER WILL EVER PRAY.

(Seal, in case of existing corporation, and date)

Last Name	**First Name**	**Address**