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Dear Mayor and Members of Council,

We need your help. As you are aware it is up to us to put equipment in our hospital. One of our most significant recent acquisitions is the new CT scanner. From day one, this equipment has been saving lives. As of the end of December 2025, we've already completed more than 3,000 scans - a remarkable number that underscores both the need and the benefit of having this life-saving tool available locally. We are very grateful for the support that we received from you and from residents in your community.

Following the success of the CT campaign, we raised more than \$270,000 for other urgently needed equipment. It's been a busy time - because in healthcare, the need never goes away, and sometimes it becomes critical.

Today, we are introducing to you the vital initiative: the **"Caring Today for Tomorrow...X-ray Plus"** campaign. This \$1.25 million fundraising effort will primarily fund the replacement of our aging X-ray machine, which is no longer be supported by the manufacturer as of December 31, 2025. We have no choice - without this equipment, we cannot provide basic diagnostic care. Last year, nearly **21,000 X-rays** were performed for community members.

This campaign is not just about equipment - it's about ensuring residents of North Hastings and surrounding areas, including North Kawartha, can continue to receive high-quality care close to home. A modern, well-equipped hospital is essential to both patient health and the economic vitality of our region. Both full time residents and the many seasonal residents we have depend on a fully equipped hospital.

We understand the many pressures you face as a municipal government. There are countless worthy causes, and limited funds. But we ask that **the hospital remain top of mind** as you allocate resources.

We are respectfully requesting that the **Township of North Kawartha to consider a pledge of \$10,000** toward our "X-ray Plus" campaign. Help us check off the list and fill our cart! Your leadership and investment would allow us to approach fellow councils and donors with confidence, knowing that the Council of the Township of North Kawartha understands and supports the importance of a well-equipped hospital - today and for the future.

Together, we are building a healthier, stronger community.

Warm regards,

Kim Bishop, Chair
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