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Haliburton Highlands Health Services and Places for People:
Working Together for the Community

Minden, February 21, 2017 – The Haliburton Highlands Health Services Corporation (HHHS) Board of Directors has agreed to lease its property at 3 McPherson Street in Minden to the Haliburton County Non-Profit Places for People Corporation (Places for People, or P4P) for the next five years.

P4P creates secure affordable rental housing in Haliburton County for those at risk of homelessness, and supports their tenants to make a positive difference in their lives. Leasing the property at 3 McPherson Street will provide P4P with the ability to assist additional families in need of affordable housing in the local community.

The property, which includes a single dwelling home, was purchased by HHHS for potential future expansion. Based on a recently completed environmental scan, it is anticipated that by the year 2025 there will be a 50.5% and 71.9% growth in the population of Haliburton County that is above the age of 75 years, and 85 years, respectively. This will necessitate changes to and expansion of services provided at HHHS; purchasing this property helps HHHS to be well-positioned to address these future challenges. Leasing the home to P4P in the interim provides HHHS the opportunity to plan for the future and determine the best use for the property.

“Affordable housing is one of the determinants of health and we are delighted to work with HHHS to provide affordable housing in this unique opportunity. We wish to thank the Board of HHHS and their staff for thinking of us as a good partner in this project and we look forward to adding this property to our housing solutions for the next 5 years”, said John Rogers, President of P4P.

Dave Bonham, Chair of the HHHS Board of Directors, said “HHHS is pleased to support P4P, and to be working collaboratively with them for the good of the community. This is a win-win for both organizations”.

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